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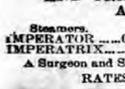

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Tenders will not be entertained unless made on the Company's Form (to be obtained from the Undersigned) and accompanied separately by a Deposit of Rs. 250 as Security for the due fulfilment of the engagement, failure in which will entail forfeiture of the Deposit without the necessity of the Company having to prove any loss by the transaction.

The Agent does not bind himself to accept the highest or any Tender.

ALFRED KING,
General Storekeeper.

General Storekeeper's Office, Parel, 19th December, 1894.

HOUSE VALUATIONS FOR 1895-96.
NOTICE.

I HEREBY give notice as required by Section 160 of the City of Bombay Municipal Act 1888, that the Entries as required by Clauses (a), (c), (c) and (d) of Section 156 the aforesaid Act have been completed as far as practicable in the WARD ASSESSMENT BOOKS for the several Wards of the City for the year 1895-96, and that the said Ward Assessment Books may be Inspected at the Office of the Municipal Assessor and Collector.

I also give notice under Section 162 (1) of the aforesaid Act, that all Complaints against the amount of any rateable value entered in the said Ward Assessment Books will be received in my Office on or before the 15th January, 1895.

H. A. ACWORTH,
Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay.

Municipal Offices, Bombay, 19th December, 1894.

TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Ordnance Officer, Mhow, upto 22nd January, 1895, for the Supply of MISCELLANEOUS and other STORES (more or less) to the Mhow Arsenal, from 1st April, 1895, up to the 31st March, 1896. The term "more" includes the Supply of Stores if required up to 25 per cent. in excess of the original Tender.

II.—Printed Forms of "Lists of Schedules" of the Stores (more or less) for the supply of which Tenders are invited, and the Form of Contract Deed, which, in the event of a Tender being accepted, must be signed and sealed by the Contractors, are obtainable at this Office between the hours of 10, A.M. and 1 P. M. Daily (Sundays and holidays excepted).

III.—Tenders will only be received on these Printed Forms, which are procurable on application at this Office at the rate of Two Rupees for each Set.

IV.—Tenders will be opened at this Office at Twelve o'clock Noon, on TUESDAY, the 22nd January, 1895. Parties tendering are invited to Attend.

V.—All other particulars obtainable from the Undersigned.

C. G. OLDFIELD, CAPT., R. A.,
Ordnance Officer in Charge.

Mhow, 17th December, 1894.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.
TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, Empress of India

Petition for Probate of the last Will and Testament and Codicil of THUKER HARJEEWAN NAROTAM, late of Bombay, Hindu Inhabitant, Deceased.

RUNCHORDASS NARROTAMDASS, MURARJEE VULBHJI, HEMRAJ KANJI, and PREGJEE VANDRAWAN, the Executors named in the said Will..... Petitioners.

ALL PERSONS claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed Deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Probate.

Witness, SIR CHARLES SARGENT, KNIGHT, Chief Justice at Bombay, aforesaid, the 13th Day of December, in the Year of Our Lord, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-four, and in the Fifty-eighth Year of Our Reign.

The Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

J. W. ORR,
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L. N. BANAJI,
The 13th Day of December, 1894.

Messrs. EDGELOW and GULABCHAND,
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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.
NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay, on FRIDAY, 4th January, 1895, upto 2 P.M., for the Supply of the following Articles:—

Ogreed, Bran, Gram, Oil Cakes, Matra, Rice, Barley, and Salt for the Municipal Bullocks, Heifers, Calves, and Horses for One Year from 1st March, 1895, to 29th February, 1896, or for Three Years from 1st March, 1895, to 28th February, 1898.

Printed Forms of Tenders and Conditions of Contract, &c., can be obtained on payment of One Rupee for each Form of Tender, at the Office of the Health Officer.

A Deposit of Rupees 2,000 must be paid into the Chief Accountant's Office at the time of lodging Tenders which will be forfeited in case of withdrawal of Tender, or of refusal to sign the Contract.

Successful Tenderers must pay full Stamp Duty on their Contracts and the Charges for executing them, and such further Deposit as with the Rupees 2,000 deposited with the Tenders will make up Ten per cent. on the amount of the Contract.

Successful Tenderer shall be required to keep a Reserve Stock of Oogred, &c., to meet Two Months' requirements.

The Grain supplied to the Health, Market, and Fire Brigade Departments is to be Oogred for Bullocks, and Gram, Barley and Bran for Horses, and must be all of the First Quality, and according to Sealed Samples open to Inspection in the Office of the Health Officer.

The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender, and reserves the right, before accepting Tenders, of Revising such of the Rates in successful Tenders as may appear to be exceptionally high.

H. A. ACWORTH,
Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay.

Municipal Offices, Bombay, 19th December, 1894.

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.
NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay, on FRIDAY, 4th January, 1895, upto 2 P.M., for the Supply of the following Articles:—

1. Hay, Green Grass, and Rice Straw for Municipal Bullocks, Heifers, Calves, and Horses, for One Year, from 1st March, 1895, to 29th February, 1896, or for a period of Three Years from 1st March, 18-5, to 28th February, 1898.

2. Hay and Rice Straw for Cattle:—Sheep and Goats at the Municipal Slaughter Houses, at Bandora, for One Year, from 1st April, 1895, to 31st March, 1896, or for a period of Three Years, from 1st April, 1895, to 31st March, 1898.

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Successful Tenderers shall be required to keep a Reserve Stock of Hay, to meet Two Months' requirements, on Municipal land at the Flats, or such other positions as may be approved.

Hay, Straw, and Green Grass to be of the 1st Quality, and Samples of the same must be lodged in the Health Officer's Department.

The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender, and reserves the right, before accepting Tenders, of Revising such of the Rates in successful Tenders as may appear to be exceptionally high.

H. A. ACWORTH,
Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay.

Municipal Offices, Bombay, 19th December, 1894.

IN THE COURT FOR THE RELIEF OF INSOLVENT DEBTORS, BOMBAY.

In the Matter of DAMJI SEWSI, who lately carried on the Trade or Business of a Cotton Merchant, residing at Mandvi Bunder, Hindu Inhabitant, an Adjudged Insolvent.

WHEREAS the Petition of DEWJI JUSWANT, the Petitioning Creditor of the above named Insolvent verified by the declaration of the said Dewji Juswant, was filed in this Honourable Court on the Eighteenth Day of December Instant, and whereas the said Damji Sewsi has been This Day duly adjudged to have committed an act of Insolvency under the Provisions of Section Nine of the Act, Eleven and Twelve, Victoria, Chapter twenty-one. It is ordered that all the real and personal estate and effects of the said Insolvent be vested in the Official Assignee of this Honourable Court. And it is further ordered that the said Insolvent do within Thirty Days from the date hereof file a in this Honourable Court in the Form in Schedule C. to the said Schedule Act annexed, containing the statement of his debts, estate and effects.—Dated this Nineteenth Day of December, One Thousand Eight hundred and Ninety-four.

C. W. L. JACKSON,
Clerk of the Court.

Court House, Clerk of the Court's Office, Fort, Bombay, this 19th Day of December, 1894.

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6. Country Medicines, &c.
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2. The Forms for Tenders can be obtained on application to the Undersigned, and the Tenders for each Class named above should be forwarded separately.

3. Tenders, duly sealed and endorsed "Tender for——" will be received upto the 9th January, 1895, at 12 Noon precisely.

4. Samples should accompany Tenders, and Specimens of the Articles required can be seen at the Depot.

5. No Tender will be received or attended to after the date and hour above given and unless accompanied by the necessary Earnest Money in Treasury Receipt to the extent specified at the foot of each Schedule.

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J. PARKER, M.D., SURGEON-MAJOR,
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BANKS.

Name	Shares.	Amount.	Paid-up.	Last Half-Yearly Div'd.	Cash Rate.
INDIAN BANKS.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Bank of Bombay	20,000	500	all	10 pr. ct.	1,310
Bank of Bengal	40,000	500	all	10 pr. ct.	1,250
Bank of Madras	10,000	500	all	10 pr. ct.	1,135
Commercial & Ld. Mge	5,000	100	100		165
	2,000	100	75	10. p.c.	120
	3,000	100	10		60
EXCHANGE BANKS.			50		100
Agra	100,000	£10	all	5 pr. ct.	60d
Charter Bank	40,000	£620	£20	7 pr. ct.	£20
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	80,000	$125	all	£1	29
National Bank of India	40,000	£25	£12½	6 pr. ct.	250
MISCELLANEOUS.					
Alcock Ashdown	1,750	100	100	Yearly 10	250
				7½	
Back Bay Baths	500	50	50	12	40
Badham Pile	45,000	100	100	10	122
Bombay & Burma Trading Corporation	1,000	2,500	1,500	300	5,250
Do. New Issue.	500	375	625	75	1,350
Bombay Ice Mfg. Co., Ld.	1,250	100	100	3	70
Bombay Land and Building Co., Ld.	400	500	500	3 pr. ct.	63)
Bombay Flour Mill	1,000	500	500	50	1,550
Deccan Ice Co. in Liquidation	1,170	100	100	Nil	5a1
Deccan Paper Mills	1,000		560	5 pr. ct.	250
Delhi and Northern India Flour Mills	1,500	200	200	20	287½
Delhi Cloth & General Mills Co Ld	2,800	250	250	7½ pr. ct.	300
Indian Guarantee Surety Ship Assn	5,000	100	10	10 pr. ct.	17
John Roberts & Co	1,500	100	100	10 pr. ct.	150
Kamp & Co	4,000	200	175	21	322
Kurrachee Landing	500	500	300	30	180
Maharanee Ice Manufacturing Co	3,500	100	100	Nil	10a
Mazgoa & Co. Ld	4,000	100	100	10	129
Napier Hotel Co	2,000	100	100	9 pr. ct.	50
Napier Foundry	1,000	100	200		60
Oriental Govt. Security Life Insurance	5,000	200	50	10 pr. ct	175
Phillips & Co., Ld	4,000	100	100	7	98
Port Canning Co	6,000	1,000	1,000	20	475
Prince of Wales Fire In	250	8,000	1,000	No dvd.	2,350
Soundy & Co	1,000	100	100	9	60
Thacker & Co	2,000	500	25	60	1,007½
Thacker & Co.	1,500	100	100	Nil	80
Wadia Mills	1,000	1,000	1,000		200
Union Mills Ld	900	1,000	1,000		500

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

				Half yearly	
Alliance	1,500	1,000	all	30	645
Anglo-Indian	1,345	100	100	Nil	43
Bellary S & W Co, Ld, (Bellary)	871	500	all	9 per ct.	385
Bombay United	900	1,000	1,000	20	733
Bombay Cotton Manfg. Co	900	600	500	20	395
Bombay National Manfg. Co, Ld	500	1,000	1,000	...	150
Britannia Mills	1,000	1,000	1,000	Nil	225
Central India	1,000	500	500	60	1,475
China Mills Co Ld	800	1,000	1,000	Nil	505
City of Bombay Mills	600	1,000	1,000	25	870
Coimbatore S and W	1,000	100	100	...	110
Connaught Mills	600	500	500	25	610
Colaba Land & Mills	4,000	700	...	20	620
Cooria Mills	800	1,000	1,000	25	550
David Mill	1,000	500	500	15	455
Dhun Mills	1,000	1,000	1,000	50	300
Empress	2,100	500	500	25	512½
Framjee Petit	1,250	1,000	1,000	Nil	4 0
Hindustan	875	1,000	1,000	45	725
Hingunghat Mills	700	500	500	40	660
Howard and Bulloughs	1,500	500	500	25	575
Hyderabad	700	1,000	1,000	35	1,090
Imperial Cotton	900	500	500	15	400
Indian Manfg.	900	1,000	1,000	50	1,305
James Greaves	1,100	500	500	25	965
Jaffer Alli	600	500	500	Nil	565
Jamshed Manufacturing Co.	1,800	250	250	7½	167
Jeevraj Baloo Jajdee Mills Co Ld	600	1,000	1,000	35	1000
Jewish	750	1,500	1,000	Nil	633
Kanga and Manfg. Co	400	250	250	Nil	825
Khatao Makanjee	1,000	1,000	1,000	40	765
Leopold	2,500	100	100	10	178
Lord Reay Mfg	445	1,000	1,000	15	750
Lukmidas Spinning & Weaving Co	1,000	1,000	1,000	30	985
Madras United	350	1,000	1,000	100	2,350
Mahaluxmee	600	1,000	1,000	Nil	325
Mahboob Shah Mills (Gulburga)	3,400	500	500	15 pr ct	153½
Manockjee Petit	4,000	1,000	1,000	50	1,895
Mazagon	5,000	250	250	Nil	155
Morarji Goculdas	1,050	1,000	1,000	60	2,010
Maharaja Mysore S & M Co	4,500	100	100	...	...
Madura Mills	7,779	100	100	Nil	par
National	500	1,000	1,000	Nil	95
New Great Eastern	1,400	1,000	1,000	Rs 20	480
Oriental	5,725	625	625	Nil	480
Presidency Mills Co (Ld)	743	1,000	1,000	40	1,340
Queen Mills	800	1,000	1,000	Nil	700
Ripon Mills	2500	1,000	1,000	30	1,000
Do.	1,500	1,000	1,000	50	1,385xd
Sholapore Mills	500	1,000	1,000	...	1,320
Shamberdas	750	1,000	1,000	35	700
Southern India	1,000	500	500	15	165
Southern Maratta	1,212	250	250	10	312½
Sun Mills, Ld	1,300	250	250	12½	210
Star of India	1,000	1,000	1,000	Nil	250
Swadeshi Mills	475	500	500	15	620
Union Spinning and Manufacturing Co	900	1,000	1,000	50	550
Venishunker Lukhmishunker Mill Co, Ld	900	500	900	15	500
Victoria Mills	550	1,000	1,000	Nil	87½
Western India	1,200	1,000	1,000	40	705
Wadia Mills	1,000	1,000	1,000		200
Union Mills Ld	900	1,000	1,000	...	500

PRESS COMPANIES.

				Yearly	
Akbar	200	1,250	1,250	75	1,375
Albert Ginning Co	100	500	all	18 pr. ct.	450
Albert (Kurrachee)	200	1,100	1,100	90	1,085
Bellary	167	1,000	1,000	Nil	235
Bhowmagger City Press & Manfg Co, Ld	1550	250	250	45	315
Bombay Cotton	1,000	125	125	15	137½
Brenl's Cawnpore Press Co., Ld	500	200	200	14	125
Broach City Press Co., Ld	600	200	200	12	185
Colaba	500	1,880	1,880	20	320
East India	350	1,000	1,000	125	1,250
English Press and Manfg	400	200	...	20	102½
Fort	150	8,500	500	80	1,175
French	300	500	500	23	405
Harvey and Sahapathy	450	450	500	30	420
Hingoll Press Co., Ld	700	100	100	12	115
Khanagauth	240	450	450	30	400x1
Mahatta Press Co., Ld	200	200	all	15 pr. ct.	247½
Madhapura Cotton G. and P. Co., Ld	300	500	500	53	120
Mercantile	1,000	125	125	10	95
Mofussil Co	3,125	400	400	Nil	380
Munmar M	1,000	250	all	15	215x1
New Berar	1,200	500	500	25	512½
New Indian	4,000	125	125	11½	125
Prince of Wales	100	500	500	25	410
Sabapathy (Bellary)	500	500	75	20	480
Sassoon	300	500	500	20	585
Sind and Punjab Co	100	1,000	1,000	200	2,100
Sind	400	2,000	750	50	530
Sorab Woollen Mills	1,200	250	250	Nil	55
Surat City Press Co., Ld	375	200	all	16	200
Vikart	...	1,000	100	12	200
				90	1,165

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

				guar.	
I. P. R. Consolidated Stock	...	£100	all	5 p. c.	246
B. B. & C. I. R.	...	£ 18	—	do.	

PRICES OF BULLION, &c.

English gold	Rs.	29-3	
Gold leaf	"	28-10	Nominal.
Pekin, Bar Gold, old	"	28-9	"
Do. do. new	"	28-5	"
Australia bar Gold	"	28-11	
Omahay bar Gold	"	28-10	
Sovereigns	"	18-6	
Do. Dragons	"	18-5	
Silver ?	"	92	
Do. 1/4	"	92-4	
Carolus	"	205-0	
Mexican	"	195-0	
Five-Franc Pieces	"	200-0	

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Bombay Rifle Club Competition, Coorla.
General Meeting, Byculla Club, 6-30 p.m.
Grand Naval and Military Tournament, the Oval, (Fourth Night) 9-30 p.m.
Performance by the Thespian Club, (*Barbara*) Novelty Theatre, 9-15 p.m.
The London Lyric Company, Tivoli Theatre, 9 p.m.
Professor Howard's Lectures on the "Art of Reckoning," Tent, Bori Bander, 4-30 and 8 p.m.
Music at the Esplanade Bandstand, 5-30 p.m.

PRINCE'S DOCK.—The steamers Warora, Ikaifae, and Brinkburn left the dock yesterday.

VICTORIA DOCK.—The steamers Imperator and Ceylon entered, and the steamer Benares left the dock yesterday.

BOMBAY SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.—The annual meeting of the Bombay Sunday School Union will be held to-day.

THE HIGH COURT BAR.—Sheik Meeran Baksh, barrister-at-law, was admitted as an advocate of the High Court before the Appeal Court yesterday.

Y. W. C. A: SALE OF WORK.—The net proceeds of the sale of work, opened at the Town Hall, by H. E. the Governor, last Friday, exceed Rs. 2,000.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Colombo, the Straits, and China, per extra s. s. Maria Valerie, will be closed, at the General Post Office, at 2 p.m., to-morrow (Friday), the 21st instant.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Penang, Singapore, and Hongkong, per extra s. s. Ceylon, will be closed at the General Post Office, at 6 p.m., to-morrow (Friday) the 21st instant.

A RUNAWAY WIFE.—Chania Matadio, a groom, residing in Watson's Hotel, has made a report to the police, that his wife, named Jamnee, aged about eighteen years, absconded on Sunday, taking with her Rs. 100 in cash, belonging to him. The woman had also ornaments of the value of Rs. 35 on her person.

FATAL ACCIDENT TO A MENDICANT.—A coroner's inquest was held yesterday, at the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital, on the body of Rama Narayen, aged sixty years, a mendicant. On the 25th October, the deceased was going along Mombadavi, Road, when he was knocked down, and run over by carriage sustaining serious bodily injuries, which necessitated his removal to the hospital, where he died on Tuesday. A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

BURGLARY AT KAMATEEPOORA.—Anundrao Ranba, a bricklayer, residing at Kamateepoora, has reported to the police that, during his and his family's absence from home, on Tuesday last, the lock on the door of his room was opened with a duplicate key, a box was forced open, and gold and silver ornaments, of the collective value of Rs. 150, stolen therefrom. Complainant suspects a relative of his, who has since the discovery of the burglary, absconded.

MUSIC AT THE ESPLANADE BANDSTAND.—The following programme will be played by the Band of the Poona Volunteer Rifle Corps, at the Esplanade Bandstand, this evening, at 5-30 p.m.; :—

Lancers	The Duke of Fife
Overture	Eliza E Claudio — Mercandante.
Waltz	Love's Old Sweet Song — Bucalossi.
Song	Alice where art thou
Fantasia	Folk songs of Italy — Rampezzotti.
Polka	Laughing — Conradi.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

TIRED OF LIFE.—On Tuesday afternoon, Dorabji Maneckji, an old Parsee, aged about sixty-eight years, residing in a house, at Marine Lane, attempted to commit suicide by throwing himself into the Dhobie Talao Tank, in consequence of continued illness. A policeman, hearing the splash ran to the tank, and jumped after the desperate man, and rescued him from drowning. Dorabji was conveyed to the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital in an unconscious state and detained for treatment. He is now progressing favourably.

A NEW ILLUSTRATED PAPER.—Of making of books and magazines there is no end, for the cry is still they come. The latest addition to the periodical literature of this Presidency is the *Illustrated Indian News*, which is to be published on the first of each month. It is based on the lines of the famous journal published in London, to whose name it bears so much resemblance, the similarity going so far that the special articles in the magazine include a column under the title of "Our Note Book." The topics of the month are dealt with in a light and readable style, and the illustrations picture events or places of special interest to Bombay.

MESSRS. DANTRA & CO.'S TEA EMPORIUM.—In the Christmas notices published last Saturday reference to the fine display being made by Messrs. N. B. Dantra & Co., was inadvertently omitted. The specialities of the firm include some choice brands of Kangra Valley tea at various prices and a large variety of specimens of the tea from Ceylon's spicy isle. Of course, for a specially good quality a good price has to be paid, but there are some very serviceable brands, at rates which should enable people of the poorer classes to enjoy the cheering and unenebriating cup this Christmas tide. The firm also retail a good description of Mocha coffee at Re. 1-4 per lb.

DISOBEDIENCE ON BOARD A TRANSPORT.—Yesterday afternoon, at the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. J. Sanders-Slater, acting chief Presidency Magistrate, fourteen native lascars employed on board the Transport Dilwara, at present lying in the harbour, were charged with refusing to carry out the said lawful orders of their superior officers. His Worship, in delivering sentence remarked that such conduct on the part of the crew was altogether wrong, and ordered each of the defaulting lascar to forfeit six days, wages, and sentenced them to a week's rigorous imprisonment each.

ACCIDENT ON A PORT TRUST DREDGER.—On Tuesday morning, about half-past 7 o'clock, Shaid Adam Abdool Rahiman, a workman employed on board the Port Trust Dredger, was engaged with the assistant engineer, Mr. Rodrigues, in doing some slight repairs with the machinery that worked the buckets over the shears, and, whilst on top of the shear, fixing a pin, the pin slipped out, and the shears fell with both the men on the top, the former getting his right leg jammed under the shears, and the latter, throwing himself on to one side, escaping with slight injuries to his neck and shoulders. Both of them were removed to the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital and detained.

JACK TAB'S OPINION OF THE TOURNAMENT.—An officer connected with the Naval and Military Tournament has forwarded us a letter purporting to come from the Sailors' Home, in which the writer expresses his opinion of the tamasha as follows :—"Me an moi pal Bill, 'e with the cock eye, an both on us. Sailor boys, as just reached ere from the Choiney seas. Well, we drops in last evening to ave a look at this yer Torment (Bill sez that baint roight, but never moind), an a wery foine show it were. Six months gone, e and I took our gals, Sal (thats moine), an Liz (thats is), to the Hislington show in Lunnon, but bless moi eye it warent nothing loike as foine as this yer. Our only grouse be that Sal (thats moine), an Liz (thats is) warnt there. Wot I sez is this. "Ere our bloomin ship, goin empty to Frisco, an whoi dont these ere soldier and navy chaps come along of us. Then spin the ole show across the States, an then to Lunnon town, where moi ole gal an Bills can see em."

DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES AT DADAR.

THE annual entertainment and distribution of prizes to the pupils of Antonio da Silva Boys' School and the Girls' School of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary came off on Saturday. There was a large gathering of ladies and gentlemen and the spacious hall of the School was filled up to its utmost capacity. The proceedings commenced punctually at 5-30 p.m., the St. Lucius Band striking a piece, entitled "Quick Steps Red Eagle." The Very Rev. Father Tornixa, secretary to the Bishop of Damaun, presided and occupied the front row of seats along with the Rev. Fr. P. H. Henriques and others. The entertainment commenced with a welcome song given by the school girls, which was followed by various other songs, duet on piano and a trio and recitation. Then followed a comical drama in one act, entitled the "Gun-Powder Tea." The young actresses rendered the play very creditably. At the conclusion of the performance Mr. S. J. d'Abreo, one of the secretaries of the Boys' School, and Mr. J. F. Rodrigues, secretary of the Girls' School, read the reports, after which followed the distribution of prizes. The chairman, the Very Rev. Fr. Tornixa, delivered a very instructive address, and congratulated the teaching taff and the managing committee for the successful results of both the institutions as shown from the two school reports. He thanked the President Mr. J. B. Fernandez and other members of the committee for having invited him to preside on that occasion. The assembly retired much pleased with what they had seen.

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION RESULTS.

MATRICULATION EXAMINATION.

THE result of the Matriculation Examination was declared yesterday afternoon at the University. The number of candidates who appeared at the examination, was 3,260, of whom 1,746 were examined in the Bombay Centre, 521 at Poona, 442 at Ahmedabad, 406 at Belgaum and 145 at Karachi. Out of the total number of candidates examined 931 were declared successful: 481 in Bombay, 162 in Poona, 101 in Ahmedabad, 137 in Belgaum and 50 in Karachi. The Jugonnath Sunkersett Sanskrit Scholarship has been awarded to Mr. Raghvendra Narsingh Inamdar, a candidate examined at Belgaum, and Mr. Shankar Devrav Kshirsagar, examined at Poona. The Cowasji Jehanghir Latin Scholarship has been secured by Mr. John Clement D'Mello, examined in Bombay. The Ellis Prize and the Sir Frank Souter Scholarship have been obtained by Mr. Abdul Rahman Bhaiji, a candidate in Bombay. The Bai Manockbai Byramji Jeejibhoy Prize has been awarded to Mr. Narayen Dattatrya Dambal, examined at Belgaum. The result of the candidates representing the following numbers will be declared hereafter: Nos. 210, 215, 1,737 and 3,067. The following are the names of the successful candidates :—

BOMBAY CENTRE.

Abbyankar, L Bhaskar
Adhikari, M Krishna
Adilshah, J Jaichand
Agashe, D Mahadev
Ahmadi, I Abdulkayum
Ahmedabadi, L Motiram
Aiengar, C S
Albuquerque, M Francis
Alpaivala, D Dadabhai
Amberkar, R Dattatraya
Amrite, Dattatraya Babaji
Amrolia, A Shapurji
Angal, Gopal Ramchandra
Anjaria, Himatlal Ganeshji
Anjaria, Hiralal Ganeshji
Anjaria, P Jivandas
Antia, Meher Jamshedji
Apte, Krishnaji Lakshman
Apteskar, Jacob Isaac
Aranjo, Andrew Joseph
Aras, Dvarkanath Balvant
Arsivala, Meherji Kavasji
Athaides, William
Athavale, Vaman Krishna
Babrekar, S Sakharam
Bade, Ganesh Nilkanth
Badshah, Framroz Barjorji
Bakre, Ganesh Mahadev
Bakshi, V Ranchhoddas
Bam, Krishnarav Narayan
Bamji, Behramji Dosabhai
Banaji, Jamshedji Framji
Banaji, Navroji Limji
Banaji, Piroj Fardunji
Bankar, D Pandurang
Bapat, Trimbak Damodar
Barabis, J Jamnadas
Batlivala, D Framji
Bhagat, C Shankarlal
Bhagria, Pirojsha Pallonji
Bhaiji, Abdul Rahman
Bhanap, Anant Vinayak
Bhandari, Eknath Govind
Bhandarkar, S Sitaram
Bhandarkar, Y Vaudav
Bhandarkar, Y Narayan
Bharucha, Bapuji Ardeshir
Bharucha, M Pestanji
Bharuch, Nanoo Fakirji
Bhat, H Manishankar
Bhat, Jivanram Jayshankar
Bhat, Sadashiv Prabhakar
Bhave, Dattatraya Krishna
Bhesania, P Gurshedji
Bhise, Moreshvar, Malhar
Billimoria, Ardeshir Framji
Bilimoria, A Nasarvanji
Bilimoria, N Jamshedji
Bilimoria, P Jamshedji
Bilpodivala, Dinsha Fakirji
Bobade, Ratan Ramji
Borgaonkar, A Vithal
Borghate, Shamrav Raising
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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

WEDNESDAY EVENING, DEC. 19.

THE English and French Funds were unchanged yesterday at 103⅛ for Consols in London, and 101¼ ex-coupon for Rentes in Paris. Paris Exchange on London was a shade higher at fcs. 25·15½. About £100,000 in Gold was paid into the Bank of England yesterday. 3½ per cent. Rupee Securities were 3-16 per cent. lower, at £54 15-16. The price of Silver in London further declined 1-8d. per oz., say to 27 7-16d. per oz.; and in New York the metal was 1-8 cent cheaper, at 59 7-8d. per oz.; with demand Exchange on London ⅛ cent lower, at 4·88¼ dollars. The Exchange Banks' buying rate in London on India remained at 1s. 0⅝d.

The total quantity of Wheat afloat for the United Kingdom on Friday was 2,380,000 quarters, or 80,000 quarters more than the estimate at the close of last week.

A further decline of 1-32d. took place in the price of spot Mid-American Cotton in Liverpool yesterday at 3 1-16d. per lb., and Arrivals were 1-64d. per lb. lower all round, the extreme quotations being 2 31-32d. for December-February deliveries, and 3 1-32d. for April-May. Quotations for East Indian Cotton were unaltered. Yesterday's Sales aggregated 10,000 bales, inclusive of 400 East Indians. The Imports were 37,000 bales. The market closed quiet; Surats quiet; and Arrivals quiet but steady. The Manchester market was quiet.

In New York, prices of Cotton were quite unchanged yesterday at 5⅞d. for ready Mid-Uplands; and 5·57 cents for March Futures. The Receipts at the U. S. Ports were 63,000 bales, making this season's receipts compare as follows with those for the same time in the two preceding years:—

	1894.	1893.	1892.
Tuesday's Receipts.....	63,000	65,000	35,000
Three days' do. ...	191,000	157,000	105,000
Since 1st September ...	4,562,000	3,719,000	3,388,000

Business in our local Cotton market has been upon a comparatively small scale to-day; but the feeling has been steady and prices are all unchanged. Exporters have contracted for 100 "Fine" Broach of the new crop, for March delivery, at Rs. 184; and they have bought 450 bales of ready new Cotton, say 200 Bengal, at Rs. 140¼-57; 100 Akola, at Rs. 160; and 100 Julgaum, at Rs. 152; while the Mills have taken 1,400 bales, consisting of 200 ready new Dhulia; at Rs. 147; 150 Karanja, at Rs. 168; 100 each of Chalisgaum at Rs. 141; and Julgaum, at Rs. 151¼; and of old stuff, 250 Wadwan, at Rs. 160-62½; 300 Veerangaum, at Rs. 161½; 150 Bhownugger, at Rs. 150; and 100 Morvi, at Rs. 153 per candy.

WHEAT and SEEDS have both been steady markets to-day, a small export business having been reported in the former; while transactions in the latter have been upon a moderate scale, prices in both being quite unchanged.

The Receipts of Produce into Bombay yesterday were as follows:—

Cotton	1,669	bales.
Wheat	13,812	owts.
Linseed	4,122	"
Rapeseed	9,212	"
Gingelly	12,464	"
Poppyseed	1,589	"
Castorseed	4,475	"
Rice	10,834	"

FREIGHTS are weak for December shipment and cargo scarce. In January shipment there is no change. A line has been done for Genoa, at 16s. 9d. per ton.

EXCHANGE opened quiet at 1s. 0 ⅞d. for Bank Telegraphic, 1s. 0 29-32d. Demand, and at 1s. 0 31-32d. for three months' sight Credits for delivery to 13th January, and 1s. 1 1-32d. later, and a moderate amount of near Merchants' Bills were reported placed at 1s. 0 31-32d; also Private Telegraphic, at 1s. 0 29-32d. With no enquiry for Bank remittance rates steadied towards the afternoon, ready Bank Telegraphic having been available at 1s. 0 29-32d., without, however, attracting buyers; and the market closed somewhat steadier as follows:—

Bank Bills on Demand...	1s. 0 29-32d.	per rupee.
Do. Telegraphic	1s. 0 29-32d.	"
Do. 3 months' sight..	1s. 0 15-16d.	"
Credits 3 " ...	1s. 0 31-32 to 1s. 1d.	"
Francs 3 " ...	1·36¼	"

GOVERNMENT PAPER has been steady again, rates having opened at 103 5-8 for Money and 103 3-8 for Account, and remained at this level until near the close, when an advance of 1-16 to 1-8 was established, prices leaving off at 103 11-16 for cash, and 103¼ for the next settlement at the beginning of January.

SHARES.—The only business doing is in the principal line of Cotton Mill Scrip, in which a little movement has taken place to-day, say a decline of Rs. 10 each in Luckmidas, and Swadeshi; of Rs. 5 each in Connaught, and Maneckji Petit; and of Rs. 2½ in Empress. Port Canning shares are Rs. 5 higher.

THE OPIUM REVENUE.

THE following is the Opium Revenue up to December 12, compared with the Estimates for the year 1894-95:—

	Latest Month. In Dec. 1894. Bengal.	In Nov. 1894. Bombay.	Total.
Estimate	37,71,750	12,00,000	49,71,750
Actual	45,85,659	16,14,600	62,10,259
Better than estimate	8,23,909	4,14,600	12,38,509
Worse than Estimate	..	..	..

Nine Sales of Bengal opium and eight months' pass duty on opium exported from Bombay.

	To end of Dec. 1894. Bengal.	To end of Nov. 1894. Bombay.	Total.
Estimate	3,39,15,750	1,16,00,000	4,55,15,750
Actual	3,45,84,350	1,38,31,800	5,31,12,150
Better than estimate	66,34,600	22,31,800	78,66,400
Worse than Estimate	..	..	..

GOLD AND SILVER.

THE imports and exports of gold and silver during the official year 1894-95 up to 13th December are as follows:—

In the month of October 1894.

	Gold. Rs.	Silver. Rs.	Total. Rs.
Imports	28,98,144	41,40,232	80,38,376
Exports	38,32,394	21,53,081	59,85,474
Net Imports	6,5,750	19,87,152	20,52,902

To the end of the month of October 1894.—(Progressive).

	Gold. Rs.	Silver. Rs.	Total. Rs.
Imports	1,20,40,662	4,72,13,750	5,92,54,412
Exports	4,51,73,096	1,16,16,437	5,67,89,473
Net Imports	—3,31,32,371	3,55,97,313	24,64,939

Silver received and coined in the Mints during the official year 1894-95.

Coins and Bullion received (assay value).

	Calcutta. Rs.	Bombay. Rs.	Total. Rs.
In the month of October 1894	1,224	2,546	3,770
To the end of the month of October 1894 (Progressive)	4,82,100	62,595	5,44,695

Coined and Examined.

	Calcutta. Rs.	Bombay. Rs.	Total. Rs.
In the month of October 1894	....	.....	.....
o the end of the month of October 1894, (Progressive)	9,45,910	....	9,45,910

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORT.

DECEMBER 19.

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

GREAT BRITAIN.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, interrupted. Via Suez, perfect.
CONTINENT OF EUROPE.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, interrupted. Via Suez, perfect.
AMERICA.—Via Brest, perfect. Via Valentia, perfect. Via Direct Cable, perfect.
AUSTRALIA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.
CHINA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.
AFRICA.—Via Aden, perfect. Via Cadiz-Teneriffe, perfect. Via Lisbon St. Vincent, perfect.

Cable Durban Lourenco-Marques, interrupted. This cuts off communication with South Africa via Bombay and Aden.
Madagascar and Reunion mail closes at Mauritius at midnight on Saturday the 22nd instant.
Turkish route interrupted between Fao and Busreh.

FOREIGN TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE.

LATEST dates of foreign messages received at Bombay, from the United Kingdom, during the 24 hours ending at 8 p.m., of the 19th December, 1894.
(Difference in Longitude allowed for.)

Via.	Latest Dates. D.	H.	M.	Time occupied in transmission. Hours.	Minutes.
Turkey	...	...	...	...	...
Teheran	19	2	41 p.m.	...	23
Suez	19	3	5 p.m.	...	4

Time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay during the 24 hours ending 8 p.m., of the 19th December, 1894.

	Maximum Time. H.	M.	Minimum Time. H.	M.
From Calcutta	...	52	...	1
" Karachi	...	11	...	1
" Madras	...	27	...	1

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.)

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTH.

TURNER.—December 8, at Debrugarh, the wife of George Turner, Agent and General Manager, Assam Railway and Trading Company, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

COULL—WARDLE.—December 14, at St John's Church, Calcutta, William Davidson Coull, Manager, North Sylhet Tea Co, Nakhiti, Duars to Marion Ida, only daughter of John Wardle, Esq, "Hall-Stile Bank," Hexham, England.

MALLESON—KING.—December 11, at St Bartholomew's Church, Barackpore, by the Rev G M Davies, Lieut Wilfrid Malleson, Royal Artillery, son of Rev E Malleson, Great Bookham Surrey, to Ida Kathleen, eldest daughter of St Aubyn King, Esq, of Calcutta.

PURDOM—PURDOM.—December 14, at St Andrew's Church, by the Rev A Ferrier, W A Purdom, A M I E E, F I Inst, to Mary, second daughter of the late Walter Purdom, Esq. of Easter Wooden, Roxburghshire, Scotland.

The Bombay Gazette

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1894.

THE publication of a portion of the correspondence which has taken place during the last eight months between the Secretary of State and the Government of India will conclusively show that the Viceroy-in-Council is in no sense to blame for the scandal of the exclusion of the chief articles of import from the five per cent. tariff. However strongly we may condemn the action taken by the official members of Council when the Tariff Act was before them last March, we cannot shut our eyes to the fact that the Government of India, after all, possesses only a delegated authority, and that her Majesty's Cabinet, representing, as Mr. Westland says, the supreme authority in the administration of the country, retain the constitutional right to finally decide as to the legislation of the Governor-General-in-Council, or to impose what conditions it pleases in regard thereto. It is only to be regretted that during the last twelve months this important trust has not been performed with that singleness of purpose—the well-being of the Indian Empire—on which alone the justification for such a system of external Government can rest. All that Lord Elgin and his advisers could do was to protest in the most emphatic manner against a policy which subordinated the interests of an Empire to those of a dwindling party majority, and to lay the facts of the situation fully before the controlling authority. Reading between the lines we may take it for granted that the former duty was fulfilled in the despatch to the Secretary of State, dated August 7, and of which a brief extract is published; while the latter task was very ably performed by Mr. Westland in the minute accompanying the despatch. This minute—compiled after the Finance Minister had visited Bombay and obtained information at first hand from officials, from leading millowners, and large importers—ably deals with most of the points raised by the Secretary of State in his despatch, dated May 31, regarding the extent to which locally spun yarns compete with Manchester goods. Reviewing the history of the question of tariff duties since 1875, Mr. Fowler said that when in 1879 the Government of India exempted from import duty all cotton goods containing no yarn of a higher number than thirties, "much difficulty, and some hardship, occurred in the practical working of the exemptions" inasmuch as manufacturers in England were driven to making for the Indian market goods below the range of the tariff, and the proportion of exempted goods quickly rose from a small fraction to nearly the whole of the importations in certain classes of fabrics. Mr. Westland takes advantage of this admission to point out that the cause of this revolution of trade was, that before the exemption was made, the bulk of the imported goods were closely above or below this standard, and it required very little change in manufacture to reduce them all below it. A similar result will accrue from the determination of the Home Government to fix the limit of exemption from excise at 20s, instead of 24s, the number proposed by the Government of India as being the low water mark of competition, even in the smallest degree, with Manchester. The production of counts between 20s and 24s in India does not exceed thirteen per cent. of the total output. This percentage will be reduced to almost infinitesimal proportions unless the Viceroy-in-Council exercises the option to be conferred upon him to raise the exemption limit to 24s, as it will pay the millowners to slightly reduce their counts rather than pay a five per cent. duty upon them.

Not only does Mr. Westland's minute prove that competition between Lancashire and India is confined to six per cent. of the outturn of Indian mills; it also demonstrates the improbability of the extension of such competition in the future. The Indian cotton has not a sufficient length of fibre for spinning higher counts, and as it would never pay the millowners to import raw cotton of long fibre from America, the trade "necessarily follows the limits imposed by the nature of its raw material." It is true that some Egyptian cotton is imported by a single group of Bombay mills, which produce for local consumption a small proportion of goods of higher counts than 24s. The other mills almost without exception confine themselves to the manufacture of the locally-grown cotton, which is incapable of spinning such counts as are imported from Lancashire. The machinery of the Bombay mills has, of course, been constructed with the limitation imposed by the class of cotton locally-grown well in view, and it is certain that if American cotton could be landed in Bombay at a less price than is paid for it in Manchester, it would not pay the local millowners to use it in substitution for the Indian raw material; because if a mill, which is adapted for spinning 20s, is used for spinning 30s, one-third of the machinery must in the preparatory stages be kept idle. On the other hand, the machinery of the Lancashire mills is adapted only for the higher counts, which alone can be manufactured at a profit from the long-stapled American cotton. Mr. Westland points out that it would never pay Manchester to use up American cotton at four-pence a pound in making a class of goods which the Indian mills can make up as well out of cotton, costing only three-pence. It is also important to remember in this connection that only a small proportion of the yarns produced in India are used for mill weaving. More than half the Indian mills are entirely occupied in producing yarns for export and for hand-loom consumption, while of the remaining number only a portion of the outturn goes to the weaving department. The suggestion that the Indian millowner will attempt to compete with Lancashire by importing yarns, and weaving from them, may be dismissed as chimerical when it is remembered that the importer would first have to pay, compounded in the price of his yarns, the cost of reeling, bundling and packing, and then, again, in the wages to his workmen, the cost of conveyance, unpacking, and unbundling. The Finance Minister very clearly shows that Lancashire possesses many advantages which India cannot hope to obtain. Machinery, coal, building materials, all cost less than when sent six thousand miles across the sea; depreciation is far greater in this country, and although the wages of the Indian workmen are much lower than those of the Lancashire operatives, the comparative inefficiency of the former and the consequent larger staff required, takes away whatever advantages the Indian millowner might otherwise derive, so far as the wages bill is concerned. Such very limited competition as does exist is, therefore, to use the phrase of the Finance Minister, "obviously somewhat unequal."

These were among the weightiest of the facts brought forward by Mr. Westland in regard to a proposal to accompany the taxing of cotton imports with a countervailing excise duty on the product of the Indian mills, because those products are capable of absorbing nearly two per cent. of the trade Manchester carries on with the East. These facts point so conclusively to the injustice of levying the excise that their perusal would suggest to anyone unaware of Mr. Westland's official position, that he was very ably arguing the case against the views expressed in the despatch of the Secretary of State. But the Finance Minister disclaims having "entered upon any controversial matter," and, referring to his minute as nothing more than a statement of the facts, remarks that while in Bombay he had not to "investigate conflicting evidence or reconcile opposing interests." The plain truth is, that the facts on this question are alone sufficient to convince any disinterested observer as to the injustice of the course now being forced upon a reluctant Viceroy, and no arguments are required to further support the case against such a policy. As we said on Tuesday, the amount of excise paid will be very small, and will only affect a few of the largest mills, but that does not minimise the evils of the principle involved in its exaction. With refreshing frankness the Finance Minister, in introducing the Bill, made it apparent that the Viceroy and his advisers recognise the injustice of the principle, inasmuch as they "do not recommend the measure on its own merits." Such a confession from a Minister when proposing to a legislature the passing of a bill is as frank as it is unique, and deserves prominent record as a Parliamentary curiosity. Neither do the Government of India shelter themselves under the plea of financial necessity, for Mr. Westland declared that the measure was not proposed for the sake of the revenue derivable therefrom. For this reason the Finance Minister gave the non-official members a gentle hint to the effect, that the proposal "could not legitimately be attacked on the ground that the revenue is too small to warrant the step taken." We hope, however that the non-official members in the discussion which will take place in the Supreme Legislative Council this morning, will not consider this plea as relieving them from the duty of exposing the inherent weakness of a proposal for taxation which the Finance Minister admits is not to be levied for the sake of the revenue derivable therefrom, more especially as such taxation—to quote Mr. Westland's own words—is directed against "an industry so deserving of any fostering care which the Government can bestow upon it, as the cotton manufacturing industry of India." It is quite clear that the Viceroy and his Council for the sake of party exigencies are placed in the unenviable position of submitting to the Legislative Council a policy they cannot defend, and one to which they are all strongly opposed.

ITALY is so keenly alive to the desirability of a "forward policy" in East Africa that opponents of that policy are held to be enemies to the State, and trouble inevitably follows those who oppose it. Count Tornielli, the Italian Minister in London, has presented his letters of recall, his procedure in connection with the Harrar-Zeila treaty having been severely criticised in his own country. It appears that before the treaty with Italy concerning Harrar was signed in May last, representations had been made by the Italian traders on the Somali Coast that a port should be obtained from Great Britain, so as to facilitate their operations in opening up the interior. Zeila was mentioned; and when on the publication of the terms of the treaty it was found that Great Britain held by her own there was much disappointment. Count Tornielli's well-known views, adverse to a "forward" African policy, were cited against him. How far this single incident affected his position is not clear, but since his recall we learn a more serious grievance has been raised against the Count in that he was not able to warn his Government of the alleged *rapprochement* between Great Britain and Russia. Baron Marrochetti's recall from St. Petersburg is alleged to be directly due to the fact that he did not know what was impending as between Great Britain and Russia. As regards Count Tornielli it is stated that so strongly is public opinion moved that if it were not for the warm friendship of King Humbert the chance of his future employment as Ambassador would be remote. His colleague, Baron Marrochetti, has already been placed on the retired list. The new Ambassador in London will, we learn, be Count Antonelli, a nephew of the famous Cardinal, and Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs in the present Government. He is the author of the treaty with King Menelek, which recognised the Italian Protectorate in Abyssinia, and is said to be in thorough accord with his close friend Signor Crispi in regard to Italian policy in Africa.

IN connection with the charges of blackmailing which have been brought against Mr. Portalis, director of the *Dix-Neuvieme Siecle*, that journal a day or two before the mail left, issued a note in which it announced that though the director had disappeared, the editors, who were unsuspected and admittedly above suspicion, would continue to collaborate to ensure the existence of the newspaper and to safeguard the interests of others concerned. The *Paix* states that M. Girard, administrator of the *Dix-Neuvieme Siecle*, is included with M. Declerq in the information lodged by M. Block, director of the Cercle de l'Escrime, but no information has yet been lodged against him. A magisterial investigation is being made in his case also. The *Libre Parole* says:—"Altogther four directors of newspapers are compromised in the club scandal. Several warrants are stated to have been issued in connection with the charge against journalists of having levied blackmail against Messrs. Allez Brothers, army contractors, who are now accused of having carried on an extensive system of fraud on the military authorities. The directors of various clubs were also examined by the magistrates, a few days before the mail left, also in connection with the blackmailing scandal, and stated that a representative of the syndicate, alleged to have been formed for the purpose of extorting money from the clubs, promised the goodwill of eighteen Paris newspapers in consideration of an annual payment of a quarter of a million of francs. French journalism is terribly below the mark just now, and we hope for the sake of the credit of our Western contemporaries that the charges against them will prove unfounded.

A NEW YORK contemporary publishes an interesting article on the subject of the cotton goods trade, dealing at the same time with the buying power of the cotton-producing States and the effect thereon of the low price of the raw material. Buyers in New York, our contemporary tells us, see no reason for placing orders except for immediate wants, and have cut down their purchases to a point which seems rather discouraging in comparison with the way business was done before the commencement of the recent long period of depression. There is, it seems, no special outlet on any line of goods, and the trade generally looks forward to low prices for some time to come. In this the low price of cotton must necessarily be a factor. Another effect of the low price of cotton is the feeling that the South, which is a very large user of cotton goods of all descriptions, is not likely to furnish a very satisfactory market, owing to the low price of its principal product, and on this account there is among many a sentiment of discouragement. Whether this is warranted by facts, our contempor

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

THE CHINO-JAPANESE WAR.

JAPANESE SUCCESSES.

LONDON, Dec. 19.

The Japanese attacked and captured Takubokjo on the 12th inst.

The Chinese retreated to Haicheng which the Japanese captured on the next day, the Chinese retiring to Liaoyang.

WHOLESALE ARRESTS ORDERED FROM PEKIN.

TIENTSIN, Dec. 19.

Imperial Decrees have been issued ordering the arrests of numerous Generals for the loss of Port Arthur and Talienwan, and also for the arrest of Admiral Ting for cowardice in failing to protect Port Arthur.

THE RAILWAYS IN INDIA

LONDON, Dec. 19.

The *Times'* financial article, referring to the statements of the chairman at the meeting of the Bombay and Baroda Railway, says, that it seems incredible in view of the favourable results shown that investors are so diffident in investing in new lines in India, and suggests that English Chambers of Commerce should publish concisely the facts showing that large percentage is payable on many Indian Railways.

FRANCE AND MADAGASCAR.

YIELDING OF THE HOVAS DENIED.

PARIS, Dec. 18.

The report, published by the London *Times*, that the Queen of Madagascar has accepted the French conditions, is denied here. Nothing has been heard regarding any signs of yielding on the part of the Hovas.

VOLUNTEERS FOR MADAGASCAR.

A Bill has been passed in the Chamber of Deputies permitting young men belonging to Reunion to volunteer for service in Madagascar.

THE NEW PRESIDENT OF THE CHAMBER.

M. Brisson, a Radical Deputy, has been elected President of the French Chamber.

THE REFORM OF THE AMERICAN CURRENCY.

COMMENCEMENT OF THE DEBATE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.

The House of Representatives has commenced the debate on the Bill presented by Mr. Carlisle, Secretary of the Treasury, for reforming the currency and banking laws.

THE BANCA-ROMANA SCANDAL.

AGITATION BEING CARRIED TO PROVINCES.

ROME, Dec. 18.

The excitement over the Banca-Romana scandal has subsided, and all is now quiet. This is partly due to the fact that the Deputies belonging to the Opposition have started for the provinces to carry on the agitation.

THE AMIR'S ACCEPTANCE OF THE INVITATION TO VISIT ENGLAND.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 19.

The Hon. Mr. Curzon arrived at Chaman on Tuesday. He states that the Amir has accepted H. M. the Queen's invitation to visit England, and will go when he is strong enough to undertake the journey.

ADDITIONS TO THE BURMA COMMISSION.

The Government of India have decided to sanction the increase of six officers to the Burma Commission all in the lowest grade of Assistant Commissioners.

THE EXPEDITION AGAINST THE WAZIRIS.

General Turner's Brigade marched from Wano towards Kaniguram, on the 18th instant, the brigade encamped a few miles beyond Siorzakotal. All the sick and wounded have been left behind in the fortified village of Wano occupied by the 20th Punjab Infantry. No opposition has been met with on the march. The Bannu and Jandola columns have also advanced. The latter brigade encamped at Margaband and a party, sent out to reconnoitre under Major Mason, were fired upon, but no casualties occurred. General Lockhart assumes the political as well as the military charge of the operations.

CRICKET IN BURMA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, Dec. 19.

A cricket match was played yesterday between the Ceylon and Upper Burma elevens at Mandalay. The scores were—Ceylon 109, and 209 for seven wickets; Upper Burma 82 and 143. Upper Burma played two men short.

THE RANGOON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE COTTON DUTIES.

At a meeting of the Rangoon Chamber of Commerce, this afternoon, after a long discussion, it was resolved by a majority of those present that, as the exemption of yarns of 20s and over 24s from excise duty amounts to a protection of this class of yarns used in the Indian dyeing industry, and as there is a very large trade in the 20s and 24s Europe-dyed yarns in Burma, a telegram must be sent strongly objecting to the exemption of 20s and over from excise duty.

THE RANGOON REGATTA.

This afternoon, the single sculls competition between Rangoon and Colombo came off. Both the Ceylon representatives were beaten.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 18.

The Hall Line steamer Eden Hall, from Bombay or Karrachi via Marseilles arrived here this morning.

The Hall Line steamer Locksley Hall, from Bombay or Karrachi via Marseilles arrived here this afternoon.

The Hall Line steamer Brauksome Hall, left here for Karrachi this afternoon.

SUEZ, Dec. 18.

The P. and O. Company's steamer Parramatta, from Colombo, arrived here this morning.

The Bombay-Japan Line steamer Angers, left Colombo for Bombay on 18th instant.

The Florio Rubattino Company's steamer Bormida, which left Bombay on the 8th inst. arrived at Singapore to-day the 19th instant.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, Dec. 18.

The Liverpool Cotton market closed quiet. Surats quiet.

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The Manchester Market has been quiet.

2½ per cent. Consols	103¼
3 per cent. Rentes	101¼ ex.
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	112¾
4½ per cent. Rupee Paper	88 15-16
Bar Silver	27 7-16

The sum of about £100,000 has been paid into the Bank of England.

SPORT AND ATHLETICS.

(FROM OUR SPORTING CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.

PROFESSIONALISM IN SPORT.

Very considerable difference of opinion exists just at the present time amongst those who boast intimate knowledge with our national pastimes as to the influence for good or evil professionalism wields. More particularly is this the case so far as football and cycling are concerned. On the one hand we hear that one of our most powerful associations—the Rugby Union, have set their face resolutely against any infringment of their rules as to professionalism, first adopted at a meeting in October, 1886, and amended at subsequent meetings and have intimated their determination to deal in summary fashion with any clubs unwilling to comply with the letter and spirit of the rules laid down. Supporting this unbending attitude are to be found the great majority of the Southern and Midland clubs. In the Northern counties there exists a desire to legalise payment of player for "broken time," *ie.*, that when a man has to lose part of his income in order to play football, a club willing to recompense such a player shall not be deemed guilty of any offence against the Rugby Union laws. It is contended that under such circumstances a player does not necessarily surrender his amateur status. Here we have a definite issue, and it is early yet to attempt to predict the outcome of the rift, for such it has undoubtedly become. Very much on all fours with the football players is the question of licensing the racing section of our cyclists. That many of our present amateurs are but thinly disguised professionals seems to be generally admitted, but so astutely are the disbursements managed that really very few of the offenders against the letter and spirit of the National Cyclists' Union laws are detected, despite an enormous amount of espionage and "hedging in" accomplished by the Union officials. That such a state of affairs should exist in connection with two of our most manly and exhilarating pastimes is not creditable to the finer feelings of those who participate in them under such distinctly dishonest conditions.

UNHEALTHY SENTIMENTALISM.

It is my firm conviction that much of this irritation between individuals and the associations appointed to watch over the interests of our recreations might easily be avoided if those who desire payment for the exercise they indulge in would say as much openly and honestly. It is sheer bathos for persons who put money in their pockets for participating in our national games to advance sentimental pleas about being termed professionals," Really honest men who earn a livelihood by playing cricket under the blazing suns of July and August, or who court chills and rheumatism by defying the mists of May and September, may well be excused if they spurn such additions to the ranks of professionalism. It is not easy to discover why there should be this deception in order to avoid the name of "professional," especially when we consider that in many cases those who raise the objection to the term are men whose calling has not enabled them to find positions in the higher walks of professional life. Broadly speaking, I would say that if a man cannot afford to play football, and has an objection to become a professional, he should cease to indulge in it. Doubtless there are plenty of men possessed of sporting instincts or adventurous proclivities who would have no great objection to indulge their fancy on the turf, or who would dearly love a yachting cruise; but these are expensive luxuries, and those unable to own racehorses or yachts must content themselves as best they can by following interestedly the doings of the few who happen to possess them. In a lesser degree, of course, the man unable to indulge in his favourite pastime on the score of expense should have no objection to leave it to those who can. Besides, if one really wishes to indulge in any particular out-door game for the love he has for it, there are usually plenty of outlets for a display of enthusiastic vigour. Opinions are bound to differ as to the wisdom of the Rugby Union's policy, but the managers would be untrue to their traditions, and would in a sense betray those who helped to build up the Union in former days if they allowed any tampering with the first of their bye-laws. There appears to be little doubt that the Union will have to meet some considerable amount of hostile criticism before any settlement is arrived at, one way or the other, and whilst many of those who argue in favour of the "broken time" compromise lack neither ingenuousness nor ingeniousness, I cannot but think that such a concession on the part of the Union would only serve as a temporary expedient, and in a very short time the evils to be "scotched" would be even more formidable than they are to-day. Honesty is still the best policy in sport as in everything else, and whilst there can be no serious cresticism against paying "professors" at any particular game—seeing the change that has come over public opinion during recent years—all right-minded people will deny both sympathy and support to men who desire to pose as amateurs, and at the same time hold out both hands for the money which should go to those less unscrupulous than themselves.

THE ATTITUDE OF THE UNION.

The undesirable state of affairs which has led to the suspension of several clubs in the north, and has cut short the career of several prominent players, thoroughly justifies the action of the Rugby Union. From what can be judged on the evidence given in Lancashire, it would appear as if the evil of veiled professionalism is much deeper rooted than was generally anticipated. The curtain was lifted a little on the doings of some of our club managers, and we were permitted a glimpse of "how it is done;" but to get at the bottom of the abuse we shall want to get behind the scenes with the lights up. Could this be accomplished by a few of our reformers the Union would be numerically weakened to no small extent, but a good deal of deceit and dishonesty in sport would be eradicated. In one or two quarters a disposition to temporise on the subject of the manifesto sent out by the Rugby Union has to be noted. A meeting of delegates representing the leading Lancashire and Yorkshire clubs decided that the circular sent out by the Union was not a reasonable and just interpretation of the existing bye-laws. What the delegates hope to gain by saying in effect that the Committee's demands are unreasonable and unjust I fail to see. Not being invested with the plenary powers of a court of law, the authorities of the Union have accepted the best methods available for grappling with an admitted evil. To place upon an implicated person the onus of proving his innocence will not at first sight commend itself to those who hold an unswerving belief in the axiom that a man should be considered innocent until his guilt has been proved. I must confess my dislike to the principle. But, after all, it is not a matter of life and death, and clubs and individuals who carry out their engagements openly and without any of the dissimulation which the Union are anxious to prevent will have little to complain about. "Inspired" writers have prepared the football community for a split with the authorities, and it is understood that some kind of an independent organisation is being promoted by the affected—or should this be disaffected?—clubs. Having embarked on a desperate remedy for a disease threatening the game, it will be a matter for regret if the Rugby Union gives way.

On the other hand, there should be no reason why professional Clubs should become financial failures, if properly managed. If those who help to fill the coffers in Yorkshire and Lancashire are desperately anxious to share in the spoil, and make a business of their pleasure. I see no reason why they should be prevented; but let this be done in the light of day and without resorting to the many miserable subterfuges which are rendered necessary in order to comply with the rules governing a game supposed to be for "clubs entirely composed of amateurs." We have arrived at a crisis in the game, but I feel certain that whatever line of action the Lancashire and Yorkshire clubs may, in their wisdom, see fit to adopt, the Rugby Union will not swerve an atom on the question of professionalism. Whether the Rules will be so altered as to allow of professionals and amateurs meeting on the field is a question time must solve.

THE INTERNATIONAL BOARD AND THE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

It may be interesting at the present juncture to note the constitution of the International Board and the sympathy of the Football Association. No 2 of the Bye-laws of the Board reads:—"The Board shall consist of twelve representatives—six from the Rugby Union and two from each of the other Unions." These comprise the Scottish, the Irish, and the Welsh Rugby Unions, and the Chairman, appointed in rotation at each annual meeting, has a casting vote. I think it may be taken for granted that the Board will be fairly unanimous on the points in dispute. So far as the Football Association is concerned, it will be seen that perfect harmony prevails between the two ruling bodies, it having been decided at a recent meeting that "the Association should recognise all sentences of suspension passed by the Rugby Union."

MRS. ORLISTON CHANT'S OPINIONS ON CYCLING FOR LADIES.

It was only to be expected that the interviewer would quickly appear on the scene after Mrs. Chant's successful crusade against the Empire authorities. This lady's opinions upon every conceivable topic under the sun will soon be in the possession of every one who cares to read them. Coming, as they do, directly after the somewhat exaggerated notions entertained towards the exercise of cycling by Mrs. Kendall, the actress, Mrs. Chant's opinions will be read with added interest. In direct opposition to the expressed opinions of the former, the "new crusader," who is deeply interested in cycling, thinks "that cycling is an inestimable boon to young men and women. It is a grand thing that young people who are tied up with business and all its anxieties should be able to get away from the crowded streets into the pure air of the country. The exhilarating effects of cycling send them back to their duties with clearer heads and lighter hearts, more fitted for the struggle in every way." Mrs. Chant's opinion on the subject of rational dress for ladies, i.e., the knickerbocker costume, are just as decided. Says she to the interviewer, Mr. E. J. O'Reilly: "It is really a matter of life and death. The only accident I have ever had was through my skirt being caught in the wheel, and before I could do anything I found myself sitting in a ditch." Replying to the objections raised on the score of immodesty, the lady went on. "If they would only get away from the little groove in which they spend their lives; if they would see and study other countries, their minds would expand, and they would recognise the absurdity of the position they take up. . . . . It is a question of custom. Why don't the women who talk thus agitate against decollete dress which is undoubtedly immodest, and an indignity for women to assume." These are brave words indeed, and with the "fierce light of publicity" beating upon this particular lady just at the present time should carry no little weight. However opinions may differ on the rational dress questions, most people will agree that Mrs. Chant has shown herself possessed of much broader views than she has been generally credited with, and as she indulges a little in cycling herself, her opinions on the pastime should be of much greater value than those of an actress who has never ridden a cycle—be she never so popular. The excessively severe and uncharitable remarks of Mrs. Kendall have been widely commented on, and upon being reprimanded of the fact she is reported to have said, "I don't care sixpence about the newspapers." If this is correct one would like to inquire:—Since when?

TURNING THE TABLES.

Our English cricketers have not long delayed their revenge. Following up their defeat at the hands of South Australia, Mr. Stoddart's team made another splendid show against Victoria, and after a game full of interest managed to win by nearly 150 runs. The distinctive feature of the mach was the exceedingly brilliant display of batting by the young Lancashire cricketer, Mr. A. C. McLaren, who compiled the fine score of 228—one of the largest innings ever made in a big match against Australian bowling. The old Harrow man has done many brilliant things ere now in the cricket field, but his latest achievement has eclipsed all his previous triumphs. Arthur Shewsbury's score of 232 against Victoria during the tour of 1887-8, is the only bigger total made by an English cricketer in Australia, in a match of importance, although in a scratch match the great Notts batsman once made 236. Mr. Stoddart himself gave another dashing display of hard hitting. The singular ill success of Richardson, the Surrey fast bowler, may be partly attributed to the perfect wickets.

AN ALL-ROUND ATHLETE.

No finer all-round athlete has been seen in recent years than Mr. C. B. Fry, who by being selected as one of the three-quarter backs for Oxford against the sister university of Oambridge gains the yet another "blue" in addition to those gained in cricket, athletics, and Association football. His prowess as a cricketer and a long jumper is known to most sporting enthusiasts, and now that he has gained his Rugby "blue" it may set some of his admirers wondering if there yet remains a chance for him to get an oar in next year's Oxford boat. Whilst England can boast of such splendid athletes as Fry, our supremacy will not be seriously threatened is our playing fields.

EXIT CHESHIRE.

After struggling in the most gallant fashion through the season of 1894, without once sustaining defeat, the news that the Cheshire County C.C. has ben dissolved will come as a sad surprise to many. With an adverse balance of £322 6s. 10d., however, and in face of a distinct falling off of support and interest, the end could not well be avoided.

Next week we will chat together on one or two cycling topics.

BOMBAY RIFLE CLUB.

The competition for the "Bunder Challenge Cup" took place at Goorla on Monday, the 17th instant. Distances 200, 500, and 600 yards. There were 21 entries, the winner being Lieutenant D. J. Sharp with 73 out of possible 84. This was an excellent performance. Considering the position at 200 yards was standing, several competitors at this distance spoilt what would otherwise have been excellent scores. Extra spoons were fired for at each distance, the winners being:—At 200 yards Gunry.-Instr. Bedford, Royal Navy, Lce.-Corpl. Herbert, G. I. P. R. Vols. 23; at 500, Lieuts. F. W. English and D. J. Sharp, B. V. R. 27 each; and at 600 yards Sergt.-Major Downing, B. V. R. 26, and able seaman Bicknell, Royal Navy, 24. All being really exceptional scores. Members should note that there will be weekly competition on Thursday mornings until further notice. The following are the scores:—

	200 yds.	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total.
Lieut D J Sharp, Bo Vol Rifles	23	27	23	*73b
Gunry-Instr J Bedford, Royal Navy	24	22	24	70a
Lieut F W English, Bo Vol Rifles	19	27	24	69b
Lce-Corpl A J Herbert, G I P Ry Vols.	23	26	20	69a
Sergt-Major J H Downing, Bo Vol R	17	25	25	68c
Sergt J A McKinnon, Bo Vol Rifles	20	26	22	68
Sergt J Imrie, G I P Ry Vols	20	24	23	67
Lieut T M English, Bo Vol Rifles	18	25	22	65
Cr-Sergt H Black, Bo Vol Rifles	21	20	23	64
Corpl G F Lund, Bo Vol Rifles	21	20	22	63
Able Seaman J Bicknell, Royal Navy	18	19	24	61c
Sergt W G Nicoll, Bo Vol Rifles	20	23	18	61
Lce-Corpl W Walmsley, Bo Vol Rifles	20	19	20	59
Sergt A R Sharp, Bo Vol Rifles	20	19	19	58
Vol W Mackesson, B B & C I R Vols.	19	23	15	57
Lce-Corpl J Harbottle, Roy Lan Regt.	19	21	12	52
Sergt E Chitts, Bo Vol Rifles	18	20	13	51
Cr-Sergt Ashdowne, G I P R Vols	*	22	21	43
Vol Mulvery, G I P Ry Vols	15	13	14	42
Lce-Corpl J M Mason, Bo Vol Rifles	15	8	14	37
Cadet T Barrett, Bo Vol Rifles	5	2	10	17

(*) Holder of the Cup and Winner of the Bo Rifle Club Silver Medal: (b) did not fire at 200 yards; (l) 3 Points added for Carbine; (a) Winner of Spoons at 200 yards; (b) Winner of Spoons at 500 yards; (c) Winner of Spoon 600 yards.

THESPIAN CLUB PERFORMANCE.

We are asked to state that the performance of "Barbara" and "A Pantomime Rehearsal," at the Novelty Theatre, this evening, will commence punctually at 9-15 p.m., by which time it is requested that the audience will all be seated. The play is in the author's best style, and it is sure to be produced by the Thespians in a manner well worth seeing.

Letters which have taken four months to arrive have come from the African traveller Oscar Neumann at Bukoba. Among the many interesting things they relate is that Neumann learnt from the Manyemas that the Soko ape is very common and much feared in Manyamaland, between Nyangwe and the northern shore of the Tanganyika. Some time ago an Arab wanted to take a Soko which he had captured to the coast. He succeeded in reaching Ugogo with his prize. There he died and his sons, who attributed the death of their father to the enchantments of the wicked wood demon, hastened to retransport the supposed origin of their misfortune to its native place and the interesting specimen was thus lost to science.

MUNICIPAL STANDING COMMITTEE.

The weekly meeting of the Committee was held yesterday, Mr. G. W. Roughton presiding, and there were also present:—Messrs. S. Robach, R. H. Vincent, C.I.E., Captain Walshe, the Hon. Mr. Javerilal U. Yajnik, Dr. Cowasji Hormusjee, Dr. Bhalchandra Krishna, Dr. A. G. Visgas, Messrs. Hurkissondas Narotamdas, K. N. Kabrajee, and K. M. Shroff.

A BREAK IN SERVICE.

The Committee considered a letter from the Municipal Commissioner to the Secretary, requesting sanction, under regulation 18 of the new pension rules, to condone the break of five months and fifteen days' service of Mr. Bomanjee S. Koyajee, formerly a Superintendent in the Assessment Department.

Mr. Roughton, in speaking to the facts of the case, said that Mr. Koyajee was dismissed in consequence of the discovery of certain cash discrepancies in the ward of which he was in charge. He finally made up the amount, and the Commissioner upon further enquiries was satisfied that he was not after all very much to blame in the matter.

Captain Walshe thought that if the Commissioner was satisfied that the man was morally not guilty, and that there were others to blame, he could see no reason why the condonation asked for should not be sanctioned.

The Municipal Commissioner remarked that, as a matter of fact Mr. Koyajee was never suspected of being guilty of the fraud. He was at the head of the ward; and Mr. Acworth said he wanted to make an example of him. Being in charge of the ward, he was responsible certainly not for the fraud, but for the due observance of the rules in the manual, which made it compulsory on him to verify the cash collections every evening, and to keep them in his charge. It was thought that he could no longer be continued in the position he occupied; and the Commissioner had subsequently re-employed him, leaving him to work his way up in ordinary course. He had been about fourteen years in service.

Mr. Vincent remarked that he well remembered the case in connection with the enquiries he had had to make in the matter. That there was a certain amount of carelessness on the part of Mr. Koyajee was, he thought, all that could be urged against him; but as the Municipal Commissioner wanted at the time to strike terror in the minds of others, who habitually disregarded and continued to infringe certain departmental rules, he dismissed Koyajee to set an example to others.

The Municipal Commissioner said that the standing order of verifying the cash daily was not only treated in Koyajee's ward with laxity, but he feared in other wards also. It was in fact a regulation most stringently laid down for its due observance. However, in the face of all that, the Municipal Commissioner was of opinion that Mr. Koyajee was a very good officer, and he had always had it in his mind to re-employ him whenever a suitable opportunity occurred.

Dr. Bhalchandra thought that, under the circumstances, a suspension and subsequent re-instatement would have served the object the Commissioner had in view: in fact, that would have been convenient and better.

The Municipal Commissioner: "Convenient and better?" from what point of view? Not from the administrative one, I assure you.

Dr. Viegas asked for information regarding the three other Municipal employes who were dismissed along with Mr. Koyajee in respect of the defalcations.

The Municipal Commissioner remarked that, out of the three, the fraud undoubtedly lay between two of them. The third was a ward clerk, and if he were to ask for employment, the Commissioner said he should consider his case. He was employed only six months before the enquiry.

Mr. Shroff: Then Mr. Koyajee is not guilty?

The Municipal Commissioner: He disregarded the rules laid down for his guidance.

On the motion of Mr. K. N. Kabrajee the sanction asked for was given by a majority of votes.

After transacting other business, the Committee adjourned until 3 p.m., on Thursday, the 27th inst.

VILLAGE SANITATION IN BOMBAY.

Regarding the introduction of the Bombay Village Sanitation Act into the Northern Division the following Government Resolution was issued last evening:—

Resolution.—Ahmedabad District.—There are two groups of villages to be dealt with in this district, viz., the 4 villages of Baroja, Uvarsad, Bavla and Kasandra, in which municipalities have been abolished, and the 26 villages named Godhavi, Chorrarodra, Visalpur, Sarkhej, Choloda, Koth, Gangad, Vehelal, Kuba, Gomtipur, Harsol, Dhansura, Sitapur, Bhankoda, Rampura, Dangarva, Bhoini, Detroj, Gamph, Pipli, Khas, Bhimnath, Bhariad, Valukad, Tansa, and Marchand, in which sanitary committees might be established, if funds were forthcoming. As regards the second group, no action can be taken under the principles laid down in Government Circular No. 45, dated 5th January 1894. It appears that the District Local Board of Ahmedabad has undoubtedly heavy claims on it, but notwithstanding these demands it might well have afforded to contribute a sum of at least Rs. 1,000 to aid in the introduction of the Village Sanitation Act. The actual balance to the credit of the District Local Board on the 31st March 1894 amounted to the very considerable sum of Rs. 1,33,701-10-6, and the Governor in Council must express his regret that the Board should have declined to render any assistance in this matter and should furnish the solitary instance in which a District Local Board has refused to supply any help towards the introduction of the Act in its own district.

Government approve of the Collector's proposals for the introduction of the Act into the four villages of Bareja, Uvarsad, Bavla and Kasandra, as one of the considerations which led to the abolition of the municipalities which had been established in these villages was the contemplated application of the Act to them. It should be left to the Collector to settle the question of the rates to be levied in the four villages referred to. The First Assistant Collector has explained how he proposes to utilize the unspent balances of the abolished municipalities of Uvarsad and Bareja, but the Collector should be requested to report on this point with regard to all the four villages.

The petitioners from Ukharla should be referred to the Collector for a reply to petition dated 19th June, 1894.

Panch Mahals.—Government approve of the action taken by the Collector with a view to the introduction of the Act into the villages of Shera, Vejalpur, Malao, Halol and Jhalod in the Panch mahals District. The Collector should be requested to take steps at once for the establishment of sanitary committees in these villages, and the Accountant General should be instructed to place a sum of Rs. 261-10-8, being the amount of the Government contribution, at the disposal of the Collector. The Government grant should, however, be utilised only when the Local Fund and village contributions have been paid in.

Surat.—The Collector of Surat should be requested to take steps at once to appoint sanitary committees in the villages of Pardi, Bardoli and and Olpad, and when this has been done, to submit a report to Government. The Collector should be informed that the Government and Local Fund contributions in the case of Pardi should for the present be calculated on the village contribution actually offered, but that he is at liberty to submit hereafter fresh proposals based on a calculation of the Government and Local Fund grants on the sums actually realised from the village at the end of the year. The municipal balances which remained unspent on the abolition of the municipalities of Pardi and Bardoli should be utilised in the manner proposed by the Collector, the Pardi balance being expended as suggested by Mr. Ley in his letter No. 4102, dated the 14th ultimo, in accordance with the orders passed by Government on that letter.

Government approve of the Collector's proposal to apply Part III of the Act to the villages of Chikhli and Samroli, and he should be requested to submit draft notifications under Section 7 of the Act for sanction.

Thana—In submitting his proposals for the introduction of the Act into villages of Chinchni, Badlapur and Tarapur, the Collector of Thana has omitted to state specifically whether condit ons (1) and (3) laid down in paragraph 3 of Government Circular No. 45, dated 5th January 1894, can be fulfilled. The Collector should be requested to submit a report on these points.

J. NUGENT.

Chief Secretary to Government

LONDON LYRIC COMPANY.

Last night the above Company repeated (by special request) their excellent performance of "Charley's Aunt" before a small but appreciative audience, including a party from Government House. Miss Donnelly appeared for the first time with this Company, as Donna Lucia, and gave a very creditable rendering of the part, while the rest of the members sustained their roles with an ability similar to that displayed last Saturday. To-morrow Mark Melford's amusing farce "Turned-up" will be played.

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY ASSOCIATION AND THE COTTON DUTIES.

The following resolution of the Council of the Bombay Presidency Association was forwarded by telegram to the Government of India yesterday:—"The Council of the Bombay Presidency Association begs most respectfully to enter its emphatic protest against the injustice and impolicy financially and economically of levying an excise duty on all Indian Cotton Manufactures above 20s. The measure in the humble opinion of the Council is altogether uncalled for at the present stage of the development of the Indian Cotton Industry. Its ultimate effect will not only be the retardation of that progress which the Government itself is so sincerely anxious to witness but the crippling to a certain extent of the present flourishing trade in the coarser kinds of piece goods the total exports of which average one and a quarter crores per annum. Again it is not fair that the development of Cotton Manufactures in Native States should be artificially restrained by prohibitive clauses in the Bill or the Rules to be framed under it. It is a restraint both on the liberty of trade and on the independence of these States. The Council regrets that the imposition of excise duty should have been at all found necessary under instructions from the Secretary of State. It comes to this that the united voice of the people of this country is to be disregarded in order that the cry of an interested class but a most influential one with the authorities in England may be favourably listened to. Such action is in the opinion of the Council arbitrary and fraught with grave evil in the future. The Council also extremely regrets that there should have been as yet no material curtailment of the overgrown Civil and Military Expenditure of the Empire about which a representation was submitted in March last to the Government of India in order to meet the effective deficit."

MILITARY NEWS.

Lieutenant F. G. K. Jackson, Manchester Regiment, is permitted to retire from the service.

Major P. T. Buston, Royal Engineers, is transferred to the Lucknow Division, Military Works Department.

Veterinary-Major R. Poysee, who will probably be promoted in March next, proceeds home in February to take up his duties as District Veterinary Officer at Aldershot.

Major G. H. Dyke, Northumberland Fusiliers, will be promoted to a half-pay Lieutenant-Colonelcy on the 21st January next, and is permitted to proceed home on or after that date.

Lieutenant W. F. Bainbridge, 2nd Battalion, Scottish Rifles, will, on the departure of the battalion for England, be attached to the 1st Battalion pending appointment to the Staff Corps.

Quartermaster R. Pearce, Sussex Regiment, is posted to the 1st Battalion of his regiment; and Major E. R. Owen, Lancashire Fusiliers, and Lieutenant C. E. Waynell-Mayow, Border Regiment, to the 2nd Battalions of their respective regiments.

THE SITUATION IN WAZIRISTAN.

Jandula, 14th December.

As there appears to be now little prospect of a peaceful settlement of the Waziristan question all arrangements have been completed for an immediate advance. The camp at Jandula presents a scene of bustle and activity, the Transport and Commissariat Departments in particular being busily employed in providing for the manifold requirements of a large force.

From the hill on which I write an admirable view is obtained of the rugged and inhospitable Mahsud region. Pir Ghat, already sprinkled with snow, stands up conspicuous in the far distance, and the intervening country is marked by a succession of ranges, some clothed with a few hardy trees, but for the most part absolutely bare, which run down to the valleys of the Shahur Zam and the Tank Zam. The latter valley is visible for some miles from here, as it winds in an out of the minor ranges, and avoiding a rocky spur by a long detour, and again clearing through a range by the narrow passes, here called Tangis, which centuries of water wear have succeeded in forming for it. The most formidable of these is the Barari Tangi, the scene of a former fight and a favourite point with the Mahsuds going to places of retreat, from its being in their judgment perfectly secure. It is quite possible that this Tangi, of which only the hills enclosing it are visible from here, may again be the chosen point of the adversary, in which case General Symons' column, which Sir W. Lockhart will accompany, may expect to be the first to meet with any resistance. The Barari Tangi will be reached early on the morning of the third day's march from Jandula. It is the unexpected, however, which very often happens, and it is quite possible that the Wana or even the Bannu column may be the fortunate one, though the task of the latter appears to be rather that of the prevention of a retreat of the enemy towards Dowar.

In any case, with three columns of all arms converging on the country, it is evident that there is plenty of work for an enterprising leader in command of men who can travel extraordinary distances in one night, as to the best time and place for the attack. The campaign if ordered by Government should be a most interesting one to watch, though the ultimate result is of course certain.

Bannu, 15th December.

The composition of the Bannu column is as follows:—Lieutenant-Colonel Egerton, D.S.O., 3rd Punjab Cavalry, commands; Captain Dillon, 40th Pathans, Brigade Major; Lieutenant Badcock, D.S.O., 5th Gurkhas, Orderly Officer; Captain Egerton, Guides, Intelligence Officer; Captain Ewart, Brigade Commissariat Officer; Lieutenant Finlay, Brigade Transport Officer; Lieutenant Warwick, Assistant Transport Officer; Lieutenant A. R. Burlton, Assistant Commissariat officer. The troops moving forward are 200 sabres, 3rd Punjab Cavalry, No. 1 Kohat Mountain Battery, the 1st Sikh Infantry, the 2nd Punjab Infantry, and the 6th Punjab Infantry; while the 4th Sikhs and the 36th Sikhs garrison Bannu.

Latest news is that the Mahsuds have not complied with the terms of Government, consequently three brigades will probably enter their territory immediately. All is ready for an advance, orders for which may come at any moment. The Bannu brigade is encamped ten miles out. A signalling station has been established at Sheikh Buden and is in direct heliographic communication with General Lockhart at Jandula. The telegraph line runs to Sheikh Buden, which is a hill easily visible from numerous points in the Mahsud territory. When the forces enter the enemy's country a signalling station will possibly be established on Kundighar, a mountain on the Mahsud border, which commands very extensive views of all the Mahsud territory.

Surgeon-Major Sykes, Surgeon-Captains Jarvis, Maddon and Fullerton, with the 21st Field Hospital, have joined the Bannu column. We proceed up the Khaisor nullah to Razmuk and thence to Makin in one mar h Razmuk is six marches, and the road is reported to be good all the way. Our Khaisor must not be confused with the Khaisara near Wana.

Mr. Anderson, Deputy Commissioner, accompanies us as Political Officer.

Wana, 14th December.—The situation remains unchanged. The answer of Government is awaited. The health of the troops is excellent, and the weather is fine, ten degrees of frost being registered last night. One thousand men are daily at work on the new post.

Jandula, 15th December.

The health of the troops is good. A Maxim gun from the Chungla Gully Musketry School was received last night, in charge of Captain Peebles, Devonshire Regiment, together with a small party from that regiment. 150 rounds were fired from the Maxim for experimental purposes, excellent practice being made.

The telegraph line has been twice recently cut near Nili Kach, the poles uprooted, and the wire carried away. The line has been rapidly mended.

Count Bylandt, a Dutch traveller, arrived in camp to-day.

Mullah Powindah has written to General Lockhart, offering to meet him in the open and give him a good fight, provided one day's notice is given the Mullah. The above letter was received here to-day.

No news definitely affecting the general situation has been received here, but now that the delay fixed by the Government has past without the acceptance of terms on the part of the maliks all ranks are eagerly anticipating definite orders to advance. Heliographic communication, which was established yesterday to Sheikh Badin, has been further extended through the latter station to Miliam, where the Bannu Column is concentrated. Jandula and Bannu are thus in easy heliographic communication.

Kajuri Kach, 16th December.

Wana, 15th December.—The Mullah is said to be at Dotoi. The 4th Gurkhas arrived to-day. A reconnaissance, under Major Robinson, 1st Gurkhas, went three miles across the Inza Kotal. No opposition was met with. The road is bad.—*Pioneer.*

THE GRAND NAVAL AND MILITARY TOURNAMENT.

THIRD DAY.

The programme presented yesterday did not contain many items not witnessed on the two previous nights; but nevertheless the interest manifested in the manœuvres was as great as ever. The performance was preceded by an inspection of the camp by General Gatacre, Commanding Bombay District, at about eight o'clock. During the morning and afternoon competitions were held in the arena for prizes awarded by the committee. In the Lance vs. Lance Competition which was open to the British troops the men of the 21st Hussars were so successful as to carry off the first two prizes, while Sergeant-Major Andrews of the Royal Horse Artillery secured the third prize. In the Lance vs. Bayonet encounter Private Anderson of the 21st Hussars, secured the first prize, Sergeant-Major Barrett of the 7th Hussars, coming in second, and Bombardier Gorman of the Royal Horse Artillery, third. Jumping by sections was another event for competition, the premier honours going to the R. H. A., while the 26th and 72nd F. B. R. A., won the second and third prizes, respectively. Several competitions by native officers will be held in the arena this morning at seven o'clock.

The first item on the programme last night was the Irish tattoo. The display was similar to that on the two previous nights. The scene was most picturesque, and the skilful manipulation of the bagpipes was a most pleasing feature of the music. The soldiers of the Royal Irish Rifles marched up to the north end with various coloured lights, then counter-marched, and ultimately forming into a circle, continued playing for several minutes in the middle of the arena. The procession then being reformed, the pipers retired down to the ground. It is hardly necessary to describe what followed; as it followed closely on the lines of the two previous performances. The driving by the Royal Artillery was again smartly done, the spectators cheering loudly as the performers retired. The Artillerymen having become accustomed to the arena were able to eclipse their previous performances. The Marine Battalion then passed through several evolutions in bayonet exercises, which elicited general applause. This was followed by the gymnastic display by British troops. The feats performed on the horizontal and parallel bars were remarkable, and would not have discredited a circus arena.

The Bombay public have so many opportunities of seeing the Governor's Bodyguard and the 2nd Lancers perform their feats on horse-back that their uniform success last night was only what everyone anticipated. The native cavalry made their charges in a most accurate manner, and their display in the saddle was pretty and admired all round. The ever-popular musical ride was another demonstration of good horsemanship by the native cavalry. The Bombay Light Horse had sent several teams to participate in "Jumping by Sections." Their riding-up though not equal to that of the regular troops was very creditable. The British troops who played in consort with them were heartily cheered for their splendid performance in the saddle. Next the blue-jackets treated the audience with one of those displays which each evening has so delighted the spectators, the principal feature last night being the taking off guns over hurdles and other obstacles so quickly as if the guns were so many pieces of sticks. The teams had exerted their utmost efforts as a boat's prize is to be decided on their last night's display. The driving by the Royal Horse Artillery through a narrow track was effected in a clever manner. The Kattack dance by the Beluchis was heartily enjoyed by the audience, the peculiar shouts of the brave warriors causing much amusement. The skill with which the Beluchis wielded their swords and timed the music to their action made the performance a very fascinating one. The most interesting item was the grand display by all arms at the close, which was once more most successfully carried out.

The programme to be presented to-night is a very attractive one and contains several interesting new items,

NEWS OF THE DAY.

MR. WARRY, the Chinese Adviser to the Burma Government, who is *en route* to meet Mr. Scott, who has been sent to report on the proposed buffer State on the Upper Mekong, reached Kengtung on the 30th ultimo. The party were to meet at Hongluk on the 2nd instant.

THE Government of India have approved of the Kuram Escort being reduced to its authorised strength of 2 guns, half squadron cavalry, and 250 rifles, and of the wing 10th Bengal Lancers and 21st Punjab Infantry being withdrawn from Kohat, as soon as circumstances may permit of this.

SURGEON-MAJOR-GENERAL A. F. BRADSHAW, C.B., P. M. O., H. M.'s Forces in India, will leave Simla, on Friday next, with his camp office for Calcutta direct.

MR. PASSANAH, Executive Engineer, Gorakhpur, will probably be deputed to make the inquiry into the cause of the floods at Azamgarh and Jaunpur.

THE Viceroy and Lady Elgin and party arrived in Calcutta on Saturday, and were received with the usual full ceremonial.

THE total number of deaths registered in Calcutta during the week ended 8th of December, was 323, against 297 and 304 in the two preceding weeks, and higher than the corresponding week of last year by 19. There were 14 deaths from cholera, against 10 and 12 in the two preceding weeks; the number is lower than the average of the past quinquennium by 12. There was no death from small-pox during the week, against one in the previous week. There were two deaths from tetanus. The mortality from fevers and bowel-complaints amounted to 148 and 42 respectively, against 143 and 42 in the preceding week. The general death-rate of the week was 36·1 per mille per annum, against 33·2, the mean of the last five years.

ORDERS were issued by the Government of India on Saturday sanctioning an expedition against the Mahsud Waziris. The three columns under General Sir William Lockhart will now move upon Kaniguram.

THE Wana brigade will advance making four marches to Kaniguram. This will probably allow time for the Jandula column to co-operate with it. The day of arrival at Kaniguram being a Friday—notably the fighting day of the Pathans—and notice having already been received of opposition in force to be expected before arriving there, it is more than probable that that day will see some severe fighting.

As regards the Indian Medical Congress, which will assemble in Calcutta on the 24th instant, and sit until the 29th, over 500 tickets of membership have now been issued, and more names are coming in daily. All classes of the profession are represented on the list, and it is believed that Service members are in a minority. The Government have granted twelve and fifteen days' leave to such Civil and Military Medical Officers as can be spared from duty. A large number of interesting and important papers have been sent in, and the programme promises to be full and instructive. The whole of St. Xavier's College has been placed at the disposal of the Congress by the Rector. The opening ceremony will take place, at 10-30 a.m., on the 24th instant: the Viceroy's speech being followed by an address from the President, Surgeon-Colonel Harvey. There will be seven sections, namely: Medicine, Surgery, Military Medicine and Surgery, Public Health, Legal Medicine, Obstetrics and Pharmacology. The presidents of these sections have been so chosen that each province of India will be represented. Various trips and amusements have been arranged for by the Reception Committee, and the president will give a Conversazione in the Town Hall on the 28th instant, to meet Lord and Lady Elgin. The Accommodation Committee have secured a number of rooms for visitors, and private hospitality will be lavishly exercised.

A PARIS correspondent telegraphs:—On the day following the opening of the Italian Parliament the first number will be issued at Genoa of the *Elettrico*, which, if its proformance be equal to its profession, will be a journalistic event in Italy. It will be the first newspaper in that country of eight large-sized pages, and, like English journals, will publish extensive telegraphic reports. The *Elettrico*, notwithstanding the enormous outlay such an undertaking involves, will, I am assured, be not only Liberal, but independent. The editor is Signor F. Paronelli, who was correspondent of the *Secolo* in Berlin, London, and Paris. The *Elettrico* ought to prove a success. It comes out in the great commercial port of Italy, which has hitherto depended in a great measure on Milan for its newspapers, and it comes out at the right time. Financial questions are about to be raised shortly in the Italian Parliament, in which important Genoese intersts are at stake. The question of the Bank of Italy is among the foremost.

IN New England, thanksgiving, had become an annual custom even before the end of the Seventeenth Century. During the Revolution a day of thanksgiving was each year recommended by Congress, and observed as a national insitution. In 1784 there was a national thanksgiving for peace, after which there was no thanksgiving by national appointment until 1789, when President Washington appointed a day of thanksgiving for the adoption of the Constitution. The day as a fixed institution was long confined to New England, but before the middle of the present century its observance had become a general custom in the Southern States In 1862, during the Civil War, President Lincoln issued a proclamation for special thanksgiving on account of victories. In 1863 and 1864 he issued national proclamations of annual thanksgiving. Since that time annual proclamations have been made by the President, by the Governors of States, and by the mayors of the principal cities. For some time Thanksgiving Day was on the first Thursday in November, but custom has now fixed it on the last Thursday of the month.

A SOMEWHAT amusing and striking incident is reported from Bucks, in which the Earl of Orkney, who a few years ago married Connie Gilchrist, was the principal figure. The Earl (says the chronicler) was walking out a couple of days ago with the countess's pet dog, and met some roughs who had a bull terrier, which they set on the countess's pet. The earl called upon them to desist, which they insultingly refused to, whereupon he went for the biggest of them in pugilistic fashion. A ring was formed, and there was a hot fight to a finish. The earl came off victor, leaving his opponent in a battered and helpless condition. The earl came out of the encounter almost unmarked. He was heartily congratulated the next morning at the meet of the hounds on his triumph.

CURIOUS stories of the Russian Censorship are coming to London (says the *World*). All the correspondents in attendance at Livadia during the last illness of the Czar were treated as "suspects," and their telegrams, in the zeal of official scrutiny, were unconscionably delayed. But the most amusing stories might be told of the Russian efforts to perform prodigies of polyglotic valour. The Censor was changed three times; at least, the work passing finally into the hands of a general, who, to the most amiable of personal qualities, added no qualifications whatever for the work. Receiving two long messages in English, he was called upon to pass in review details written in language he did not understand. What was to be done? Finally, after a vain search for a trustworthy Russian capable of spelling through our language, a Russian princess resident at Yalta was thought of, and she was adjured to protect the Empire in a possible grave crisis. The Princess, charmed with the unlooked for task, called to her aid two other ladies, as well as a little girl, and a really pleasant evening ensued. Meanwhile the correspondents had nothing to do but wait the judgment of their fair censors. One despatch was passed without demur; the second underwent modification which necessitated a reference to the official Censor at Livadia, coupled to a ride out there and a colloquy with the general in French. In all eight hours were got through thus; but a dinner party at Yalta was made merry by the incident, if the English correspondents found their in reputations some peril at headquarters at home.

INSOLVENT DEBTORS' COURT.

THE following matters were heard before the Hon. Mr. Justice Fulton at a sitting of the court yesterday.

RE JACOB AARON.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, on behalf of a creditor, applied for a rule nisi calling upon the insolvent to show cause why the matter of his insolvency should not be reheard. The application was made under Section 56 of the Insolvency Act, and it was sufficient to show that the schedule contained false statements. The discharge was granted by Mr. Justice Bayley, who was sitting in the Insolvency Court for a whole week prior to his departure. The case got on the list unexpectedly, and the opposing creditor had no opportunity of opposing the discharge, against which he had filed his grounds of opposition. His Lordship granted the application.

RE DORABJEE HORMUSJEE.

Mr. Ardeshir Kapadia, for the insolvent, applied for an extension of the interim order for three months. His Lordship granted the application.

RE BALLABUX GANESHDAS AND OTHERS.

Mr. Manker, for the insolvents, moved absolute the rule nisi, calling upon the creditors to show cause why the adjudication should not be revoked. The learned counsel said that all the necessary steps had been taken in the matter. No cause was shown against the rule which was made absolute.

RE DAMJEE SHIVSY.

Mr. Rivett-Carnac, for a creditor, moved under Section 9 of the Act for an order for the adjudication of the insolvent. His Lordship granted the application.

RE ALBERT DURST.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, on behalf of Nensey Percoo Mahomed, a creditor, applied for the examination of the insolvent, under Section 36 of the Act. The learned counsel said the insolvent had not disclosed in his schedule the name of one Horseley, a partner of the firm who was now in Germany, and who was said to be a man of considerable means. The debt due to the opposing creditor was about Rs. 98,204, and the examination of the insolvent was necessary in the matter. His Lordship granted the application, and fixed the examination for the 9th January next.

RE ALLADINBHOY HUBIBBHOY.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, on behalf of Kursondas Nathu, a creditor, applied for an adjournment of the hearing of the rule nisi for a month, saying that the other side consented to the adjournment. His Lordship adjourned the matter till the 16th January next.

RE KOONANDAS TALAKCHAND AND OTHERS.

Mr. Manker, for the insolvents, moved absolute the rule granted on the 28th November last, calling upon the creditors to show cause why the order of adjudication should not be revoked.

Mr. M. R. Jardine, for the petitioning creditor, consented on the ground that the insolvents had settled with their creditors.

His Lordship accordingly made the rule absolute.

RE MAHOMED ABBA BANGHI.

On the application of Mr. Manker the insolvent was granted the usual interim order.

RE MAHADEO RAMKRISHNA NATKARNI.

On the application of Mr. Manker, the insolvent was granted the usual interim order, with liberty to amend the schedule.

RE MERWANJEE COOVERJEE.

Mr. Manker, for the insolvent, applied for leave for the insolvent to join his partner Eduljee Coovverjee in the schedule. His Lordship granted the application.

RE GOCULDAS PURSHOTUM.

Mr. Manker, for the insolvent, applied for an extension of time to file the schedule on the ground that the insolvent was suffering from nervous debility. His Lordship granted an extension till the 16th January next.

RE MAGANLAL VIJBHUCANDAS

Mr. Manker, for the insolvent, applied for the usual interim order, which was granted.

RE GOPALJEE PURSHOTUM.

Mr. Manker, on behalf of the insolvent applied for a rule nisi, calling upon the creditors to show case why the insolvent should not be granted this final discharge, under Section 60 of the Act. His Lordship granted a rule, making it returnable two months hence.

RE KARPAL HARJEE.

The insolvent, who appeared in person, applied for an interim order. Mr. Manker, for a creditor, opposed the application on the ground that the insolvent had not furnished copies of his affidavit to the other side. His Lordship adjourned the matter till the 9th January next.

RE VIRJEE KANJEE.

The insolvent appeared in person and applied for an interim order. Mr. Manker opposed the application on behalf of a creditor. His Lordship, after hearing Mr. Manker, granted the application.

RE RAMJEE BABULJEE.

On the application of Mr. Manker the insolvent was granted the usual interim order.

RE ESUFALLY JAFFERJEE.

Mr. Manker, on behalf of the insolvent, applied for an interim order, remarking that a similar application, made to Mr. Justice Bayley, on the 14th November last, was refused. The insolvent, who was in jail during the last two months was unable to make up his books of account.

His Lordship refused the application.

DISCHARGES.

The undermentioned insolvents were granted their discharges:—Govind Narayen Sonar: Shaik Mahomed walad Saley: John DeSouza; Shaik Abdoola Khodabux: Rahiman Alisab Dadan; Esoba Laxmon Agry; Dosabhoy Nusserwanjee Turner; Jairam Kurra Kumbhar and another: Keroba Ramjee Sad; and Silla Dewraj and another.

THE KURNOOL FOREST SCANDALS.

AN INQUIRY ORDERED.

WITH reference to the Kurnool Forest scandals, Mr. Grose's reply to the questions asked by a native member at the Legislative Council meeting of the 20th ultimo, was apparently based on the Board of Revenue's resolutions dated the 19th idem. The order of Government on that resolution, dated the 12th instant, is as follows: "The Government is unable to agree with the Board of Revenue in considering that no further inquiry is called for in the matter of the forest offences reported from the Kurnool district, and of the procedure of the officers in connection therewith. The Board's attention will now be drawn to the articles published in the *Pioneer* on the 29th November and the 6th, 8th and 9th December, as well as to the article and letter contained in the *Hindu* of the 11th December. A copy of the questions of which the Honourable Sabapathy Mudeliar has given notice for the next meeting of the Legislative Council, will also be forwarded to the Board. His Excellency the Governor in Council is of opinion that the whole matter should now be thoroughly investigated by the Forest Member of the Board in person, and, for this purpose the Honourable Mr. Storrock should at once proceed to Kurnool, and after careful inquiry on the spot should submit a full report to the Government. This report, which must be submitted before the 12th January 1895, should deal categorically with the allegations made in the newspapers above alluded to, and should contain all such information as is required to enable the Government to reply to the questions formulated by the Honourable Sabapathy Mudeliar. Orders will issue in the Judicial Department investing the Honourable Mr. Storrock with the necessary powers under Act 5 of 1893, Madras.

"In the *Pioneer's* article of the 9th instant it is stated that one Nagalingam, of Yedunpad, Kurnool district, presented a petition to the Board on the 21st August, complaining of the seizure of certain timber and other articles, and that the Board in an order of the 4th September referred the petition to the Collector. It has been ascertained from the Board that the above statements are correct, and the Government fails to understand why this fact was not brought to notice when the questions asked by the Honourable Subbarao at the Legislative Council meeting of the 20th ultimo, were under discussion. This point should be separately reported upon."

OFFERING pawnbrokers sham jewellery, in the hope of inducing them to advance money upon it greatly in excess of its values does not strike one at first sight as a very promising device for raising the wind. From a trial, however, at the Liverpool Assizes, which has ended in the conviction of three persons for conspiracy, it would seem that a living may be picked up in this way—at least for a brief time. The chief conspirators were a man and his wife named Cottrell, whose stock-in-trade consisted of horse-shoe brooches made of silver, with a coating of gold marked "18 carat." Some of the broochesbore the inscription "Good Luck;" upon others were ladies' names. This was to give them the appearance of being personal trinkets, and with the same object Mrs. Cottrell, otherwise "Nance the Rocket," who seems to have been the pawner in chief of the gang, would ostentatiously take the brooch from her neck under the pawnbroker's eye. The unsophisticated tradesmen appear to have been taken in by these simple tricks. On one night 'Nance the Rocket" succeeded in pawning eight, and on another night, nine, of these shams, for sums ranging from eighteen to thirty shillings. Their real value, according to an expert witness, was 7s. 7d. each. Cottrell and an accomplice, a dealer, have been sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment with hard labour; Mrs. Cottrell has been let off with the milder sentence of six months.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

THE following are excerpts from the proceedings of a meeting of the Trustees of the Port of Bombay, held on the 11th December:—

Submitted memo. from the Acting Engineer, dated 29th November 1894, forwarding the following statement showing the length of coping in Prince's and Victoria Docks which has been fitted with tramplates, and the length which will require them, viz:—

Prince's Dock

	Rs.	a.	p.
Completed	4,926·5	12,229	6 3
Estimated for 1895-96	640·0	1,920	0 0
Balance	325·0	2,895	0 0
Total ...	5,891·5	17,054	6 3

Victoria Dock.

Completed	2,941·16	8,131	10 3
Estimated for 1895-96	2,490 00	7,470	0 0
Balance	360·00	1,080	0 0
Total...	5,791·16	16,681	10 3

and a lithograph showing by black and red lines where tramplates have been laid and where they are to be laid. Read proceedings of the Finance and Establishment Committee saying that the tramplates effect a double purpose, viz., the saving of the wear and tear of the wharf coping and of the crane machinery; that where the coping stones have already suffered the correct course would be to apportion the cost of the tramplates, the equivalent of the cost of repairing the coping being treated as a Revenue and the balance as a Capital charge: and advising that the expenditure in the current and next year and thereafter should be met from the fixed Annual Revenue Surplus reserved to meet Capital charges, that the supplementary Budget Estimate, 1894-95, and the Budget Estimate, 1895-96, could be framed accordingly, and that in this case the whole work should be finished out of hand next year, and in that year an expenditure of Rs. 13,365 should be provided for instead of Rs. 9,390.

Resolution.—The recommendations of the Finance Committee are approved.

Submitted correspondence on the subject of the lease to the Cotton Trade Association of land on the Cotton Green and of the Lease of the site occupied by a Hindu shrine and a well belonging thereto. Read proceedings of the land and Railways Committee advising that two concurrent leases at the same rates of rent—one for the shrine and well, together occupying an area of about sixty square yards, and the other for the rest of the plot—be granted. The lessee in the first instance to be Mr. Dewjee Ramjee, who now holds the ground at a nominal monthly rental on the following terms:—(1) That he should fence the ground. (2) That he should be allowed an exit on to the public road. (3) That he should pay rent at Rs. 1½ per square yard for first 10 years and Rs. 1¾ for next 10 years. (4) That he should, as security, deposit two year's rent, and, in addition, from date of lease, pay the rent monthly in advance. (5) That the lease should be renewable on the expiration of 20 years for such further period and on such monthly rent as may then be agreed upon. ii. The second lease be granted to the Cotton Trade Association on the same terms, &c., as already agreed upon. iii. The lessee (Mr. Dewjee Ramjee) may be allowed to repair the shrine as proposed as soon as the lease has been executed and the deposit paid.

Resolution.—The recommendations of the Land Committee are approved.

Submitted letter from the Acting Engineer, dated 20th November 1894, forwarding tenders for the supply of sundries and hardware for the year 1895; and stating that four tenders have been received, two of them being incomplete, against six received last year, and that the tender of Messrs. Wilkinson, Heywood and Clark being only for oils and paints of their manufacture, he has not considered it; and recommending that the lowest tender, that of Mr. E. E. Kurwa, who has successfully carried out the supply in former years, be accepted. The papers, having been circulated, were not read. Read Trustees' minutes thereon.

Resolution.—The lowest tender, that of Messrs. E. E. Kurwa & Co., should be accepted.

Read letter from the Acting Engineer, dated 17th November 1894, requesting permission to provide Rs. 74,640 on account of work and new gear for the dredging plant and the workshops as follows:—

			Rs.	a.	p.
Capital.—					
Victoria Dock—Tramplates on the coping on the jetty walls and No. 16 Do.	Rs. 7,470	0 0			
Prince's Dock Harbour Wall—Tramplates on	1,920	0 0			
Carnac Basin—35 old gun bollards..	4,725	0 0	14,115	0	0
Revenue New Works—					
Season Dock.—West Wharf to be metalled	757	0 0			
Do. New godown bridge house	467	0 0			
Do. New Chowkey	610	0 0			
Mody Bunder East Wharf.—Shed No. 129 on, to be rebuilt	800	0 0			
Victoria Dock Warehouses.—Wrought-iron pressure pipes to be replaced by cast iron pipes.....	3,608	0 0			
Khallasees' Quarters at the Docks.—Building No. 202—Tiles to be replaced on teak boarding covered with dammered cloth	663	0 0			
Dockmaster's Quarters at the Docks.—Building No. 201—Venetians for the lower part of the gallery.....	2,350	0 0			
Customs Chowkey at Victoria Dock Harbour Wall.—To be replaced by a new one	225	0 0	9,480	0	0
Revenue Repairs.—					
Apollo Bunder.—Small inner steps on the north face to be repaired	350	0 0			
Stores—Chain godown floor to be relaid.....	675	0 0	1,025	0	0
Works to be met from Depreciation Fund.—					
Chain-testing house—Wrought-iron pipes to be replaced by cast-iron	600	0 0			
Prince's Dock—Floors of 13 cranes to be replaced	2,600	0 0			
Dredging Flotilla—New gear	13,483	0 0			
Workshops—Replacement of worn-out gear	3,335	0 0	50,020	0	0
Total ...			Rs 74,640	0	0

Read letter from the Acting Engineer, dated 29th November 1894, giving brief explanation as to each of the items of new gear for the dredging flotilla and of the year required for the workshops.

Resolution.—The provision for tramplates should be in accordance with the decision in Trustees' Resolution No. 386 of this date. The Trustees are not prepared to sanction the erection of more permanent bollards round the Carnac Basin for the purposes of dredging only, and they think it undesirable at present to incur any considerable expenditure on improvements not absolutely necessary to the Dock Master's quarters. With the foregoing exceptions, the proposals recommended are sanctioned for inclusion in the Budget Estimates, 1895-96.

Read memo. from the Docks Superintendent, No. 9373 dated 1st December 1894, forwarding an application from Mr. F. X. Britto for permission to work as stevedore in the Port Trust Docks, and stating that, from the certificates submitted by Mr. Britto, it appears that he has a knowledge of that business and that there is no objection to a license being granted him.

Resolution.—A license may be granted.

The following papers were laid on the table:—

Statement of cottons, twist, and metals in Port Trust warehouses during November 1894:—

	1891.	1893.
Cotton, bales.....	22,409	8,259
,, cases	28,951	10,472
Twist, bales	2,386	2,703
Copper, tons.....	103	748
Yellow metal, tons	544	115

Revenue collections for 1894-95 as compared with those of 1893-94:—

	Bunders. Rs.	Docks. Rs.	Port Dept. Rs.	Other Items. Rs.	Total. Rs.
December—					
From 1st to 8th Dec. 1894	37,119	42,911	3,339	221	83,590
From 1st to 8th Dec. 1893	46,985	58,352	5,333	..	1,08,550
	Dr. 9,786	Dr. 15,441	Ex. 6	Ex. 221	Dr. 25,000
Excess in previous months	66,463	95,747	9,426	4,708	1,76 347
Total excess to 8th Dec. 1894	56,680	80,306	9,432	4,929	1,51,347

PILOTAGE STATEMENT.

	For week ending 7th Dec. 1894.	Total from 1st April 1894 to 7th Dec. 1894.	For week ending 7th Dec 1893.	Total from 1st April 1893 to 7th Dec. 1893.
Vessels piloted into harbour ...	16	659	20	634
,, piloted out of harbour	15	670	19	661
,, transported.	7	461	14	553
,, attended to.	...	48	1	45
,, warped	..	53	2	63
STATEMENT OF VESSELS USING THE TRUSTEES' DOCKS.				
Vessels entered—				
Prince's Dock ...	10	323	5	284
Victoria Dock ...	8	288	6	252
Total ...	18	611	11	536
Vessels left—				
Prince's Dock ...	10	318	5	290
Victoria Dock ...	7	299	8	251
Total ...	17	617	13	541
Vessels remaining in—				
Prince's Dock ...	11	...	9	...
Victoria Dock ...	8	...	8	...
Total ...	19	...	17	...
STATEMENT OF VESSELS USING THE DOCK HARBOUR WALLS.				
Prince's Dock Harbour Wall	5	116	6	126
Victoria ,, ,,	3	70	4	91
Total.....	8	185	10	217

MERREWETHER DRY DOCK.

	During week. No.	During week. Period of occupation. Hours.	During week. Tonnage.	Total. From 1st April 1894 to 8th Dec. 1894. No.	Total. From 1st April 1894 to 8th Dec. 1894. Tonnage.	Total. From 1st April 1893 to 8th Dec. 1893. No.	Total. From 1st April 1893 to 8th Dec. 1893. Tonnage.
For week ending 8th Dec. 1894.							
Vessels under 383 tons, subject to minimum charge—							
S.S. "Zuari"*	1	1 d*	218	20	7,565	28	10,901
Vessels charged on tonnage—							
S.S. "Satrunji" continued from last week	..	1 dy	..	...	...	..	...
Transport S.S. "Victoria".....	1	1 dy	6,091	50	1355 4	30	62,897
S.S. "Mahanadi"*	1	1 dy	1,189				
Total.....	3	3	7,498	7	143110	58	72,898

* Docked together.

THE GWALIOR INSTALLATION.

GWALIOR CAMP, 16th December.

THE installation of the Maharaja Sindhia has been a brilliant and interesting ceremony. The morning was heavily clouded, and a Delhi downpour would have surprised nobody, but towards noon the day cleared, and it was soon evident that the bad weather was gone for good. Towards four a stream of carriages might have been seen setting out from the Guest Camp to Lashkar, while other visitors were conveyed more swiftly on the Maharaja's miniature railway from the doors of their tents to the entrance of the palace. The durbar hall, a magnificent room on the ground floor, was just sufficiently filled with a company of some 500 persons, the two hundred English visitors on one side being faced by perhaps three hundred Gwalior Durbaris in their gayest and richest attires on the other. After a little time to admire the room and surroundings, the spectators were entertained with the weird strains of a chorus of dancing girls, who continued what was doubtless an appropriate pæan in honour of the house of Sindhia till the Governor-General's Agent and the Maharaja entering together were well within the hall. The party that accompanied them to the chairs at the head of the room were Colonel Robertson, the Maharaja of Dewas, brother-in-law of Sindhia, and the President of the Council, Bapu Sahib Jadon, who is also the young Maharaja's grandfather. When these were seated, and the fan bearers behind had gone through a couple of conventional whisks, Captain Newmarch, coming forward in front of the chairs, intimated with a graceful bow that the proceedings had commenced. All stood up to hear the reading of the Viceroy's *Khuresta*. This instrument set forth that, though by reason of cares of State and engagements elsewhere the Viceroy had not been able to come himself to Gwalior, he had made over to his Agent the task of investing the Maharaja with the powers of administration in the State. It conveyed the dissolution of the Council of Regency, and hinted that while the Maharaja, on account of his youth, should defer in large questions to the counsels of the Agent and the Resident, yet Lord Elgin, from information he had received, had every confidence that he would turn out a loyal, conscientious and successful ruler. As the address carefully abstained from anything like topical hits, and would have done equally well for any young Chief, and whether the accession was matter for rejoicing or notoriously the reverse, you would not care probably to hear more of it. The *Khuresta* having been re-read by a gentleman with a dove-coloured silk robe and a clear voice, Colonel Barr rose to address the Maharaja, whom he claimed to have known from infancy. He therefore had a personal interest in presiding at the ceremony to-day. The speech dwelt upon the progress that had been made during the minority under the Council of Regency in a businesslike fashion, but rose to higher flights when Colonel Barr, turning directly to the Maharaja, reminded him of the goodly heritage into which he was now come—the heritage of a noble and loyal name, the charge of a great State, and of a vast population. On this auspicious day he asked the young Chief to form a firm resolve to rule his actions so as to uphold the honour and dignity of his name, and the peace and prosperity of his people. In conclusion he offered the Maharaja, on behalf of all those present, heartiest congratulations.

The Maharaja, speaking with the high voice of a boy, replied. He said:—"It is exceedingly difficult for me on such a momentous occasion to express adequately what I feel, but I must commence by an expression of my grateful thanks to you, Colonel Barr, as the Viceroy's representative, for the great honour conferred on me to-day, in the presence of this distinguished gathering, and I would specially ask you to convey, through His Excellency, to Her Grecious Majesty the Queen-Empress, my earnest assurance that the devotion and loyalty to the British Government which animated my father throughout his life will never be found wanting in his son. It is a sincere gratification to me," the Maharaja continued, "to be able to welcome you here, not only as the head of the local administration, but as one of my oldest and best friends. The valuable advice you have on the present occasion been kind enough to give me will encourage and sustain me in the difficulties which must beset a young ruler at the outset of his career. Successive Agents to the Governor-General and Residents at Gwalior have always taken a warm interest in Gowalior affairs, and I have full confidence that these kindly sentiments will be maintained by you and Colonel Robertson. I would take this opportunity of publicly acknowledging the services of the British officers who have during my minority been directly associated with the administration of the State. To Dr. Crofts and Mr. Johnstone my debt of gratitude is very large, and I can never forget their devotion to myself at all times. To Colonel Pitcher, for his valuable work in the Revenue Department, and Mr. Harris for the splendid public works he has erected, my best thanks are due. I desire also to mention Captains Edwards and Cotgrave, under whose guidance and assistance the Imperial Service Cavalry and Transport Train have arrived at the present degree of efficiency. I wish," said the Maharaja in conclusion, "to thank the President, Row Bapu Sahib Jadon, and the other members of the Regency Council, for the good work they have done, accompanied by the hope that I shall receive from them in future, and especially from my grandfather, on whom I am about to confer the title of Madarul-Maham, the ready assistance which their loyalty to the State and their experience of public affairs will enable them to offer. In conclusion it affords me great pleasure to welcome to Gwalior the distinguished guests who have been good enough to attend this durbar."

As the Maharaja concluded there was a stir of satisfaction among the Gwalior benches and involuntary applause on the opposite side, which speedily suppressed itself. The speech having been recited in English by Colonel Robertson, and some dresses and swords of honour presented, the band broke out into the Sindhia March, composed for the occasion, and a final salute of guns announced that the ceremony was over.

As the company came out the palace burst into brilliant illuminations, which showed up finely the striking outline of the grand façade, and at the same time the crest of the fortress of Gwalior broke out into bright light against the darkening sky. In Lashkar, too, there was much independent illuminating, and as far as could be judged from the demeanour of the crowds there was real contentment and satisfaction abroad, though they did not stoop to any effusive demonstrations. A more noisy reception awaited Sindhia later on when he visited the banquet room and proposed the health of the Queen-Empress and Viceroy, his own being drunk standing up with the heartiest of British hurrahs. There is no question of Sindhia's popularity here—a popularity not merely founded on turkey and champagne, for he has already shown himself one of the few to whom it is permitted to assimilate English education and English habits without ceasing to be a Hindu, and to put off Oriental indolence without putting on the ways of a jockey or a groom; while his sound good-sense and intelligence gain the respect of all who have the opportunity for judging of them.

As I close, the hill of Gwalior is still a long line of light, and clusters of rising and falling rockets still maintain far into the night the festal character of the day.—*Pioneer.*

WE understand that "The Antiquary" will make a new departure with the January number for 1895. A great variety of subjects is to be introduced. The magazine will be more fully illustrated than hitherto, and the paper on which it will be printed will be of a finer quality in order to do justice to the illustrations. The price is be reduced from one shilling to sixpence. Mr. Elliot Stock is the publisher.

PREPARATIONS for the future Consistory are all made, and it is almost certain that the Nuncio at Paris and two other French priests will be made Cardinals, which renders it uncertain whether the same honour can be accorded to the Nuncios in Lisbon and Madrid, as the Pope has declared that at present he does not intend to create more than three Cardinals.

MESSRS. CUTLER PALMER'S VINTAGE REPORT.

MESSRS. CUTLER PALMER & Co., have issued the following report under date London, November 30th:

Dear Sir,—It was our privilege last year to be able to hand you a very satisfactory report of the result of the then Vintages in Europe, which were abundant, and the Wine generally was of good quality. Unfortunately we have now to record for the most part an unsatisfactory result of this year's gathering, due to the uncongenial weather existing at the critical period of the flowering of the grapes, the consequence being that there was a great amount of "coulure" or falling off of both flower and berries. Portugal, however, seems to have escaped to a great extent the inclement weather that other countries experienced. It rarely happens that there are two good vintages in succession in any wine producing country. It is not infrequent for three years to intervene between two good or even fairly good vintages. We would call special attention to the observations we have made below with reference to Spanish Brandy as distilled from grapes grown in the vineyards of the Count Misa, the well-known Sherry Shipper.

FRANCE.

Bordeaux.—The Vintage both in quantity and quality will, we think, prove to be a failure. In the spring the outlook was good, but the vines at budding time suffered from the cold and rainy weather then prevailing, which caused a considerable falling off of the berries. The maturing of those that remained was much slower than in previous years, owing to the comparatively low temperature that prevailed during the whole of the past summer, consequently the wines of 1894 will be found wanting in many characteristics of good wine. Our neighbours have been active in their attempts to eradicate the cryptogamic diseases that have so long been the enemy of the viticulturist; to some extent they have succeeded, for the dreaded "Phylloxera" would seem to have been almost annihilated in those vineyards where the proprietors have waged constant war against these pests.

Burgundy.—The inequality of the temperature throughout this district, from the spring until the end of the autumn, would have led us to infer that the Wines of 1894 would not have come up to the average, but after fermentation took place in October, we were agreeably surprised to find the quality superior to that we had conceived it likely to be. The new wine is superb in colour, and evidences signs of satisfactory development, but the quantity produced is, especially in the Cote d'Or district, somewhat under the average. In White Burgundy the wines seem to want a little more softness, otherwise they are clean and good.

Champagne.—The Vintage of 1893 was about the best we have had for the past 35 years, but that of 1894 is about the worst. Unfavourable weather, as in other parts of France, did immense damage to the vines; fortunately there are large stocks of 1893 and 1894 vintages in store, which will partly provide for the small produce of the present year; as to quality, the best wines of 1894 are not much better than are the medium wines of 1893.

Saumur.—Owing to the extremely unfavourable weather that prevailed during a great part of the year, the vines in the Saumur country were attacked by various maladies, and not only was the quantity produced very small, but the wines are deficient of saccharine, and an unusually small proportion will be made sparkling. As there was a remarkably abundant yield last year however, shippers are well provided with stock, and will suffer no inconvenience from the paucity of the recent vintage.

Cognac.—Here, bad weather prevailed at the time of flowering of the vines—the result being that mildew attacked the grapes, and the year's crop in most parts of Cognac has proved to be a failure. The quantity produced is about one third of that of last year's yield, while the quality is generally most inferior, consequently we have but little doubt that previous distillations of genuine Cognac, will certainly become much more expensive, and thus give opportunity to continental chemists to flood many markets with their abominable compounds.

GERMANY.

In this country, rainy weather damaged the flowering, while abundance of rain in the autumn spoiled the grapes that remained on the vines, so that the vintage of 1894 will not by any means rank as a good one for Germany. In some districts the vineyards have produced barely a sixth of their usual crop, while in others the yield has been still more poor.

PORTUGAL.

The gathering throughout the country took place in October, during the prevalence of exceptionally favourable weather. In point of quality we think the wine is by far the best that has been made since 1890, and may almost be considered as equal to a vintage wine. Farmers have met with considerable success throughout the Douro district in fighting their old enemy the 'Phylloxera'; many 'Quintas,' which a few years since were quite barren, have this year produced a considerable yield. In the South of Portugal where the wine trade is retained for home consumption or used for distillation, the vintage was far from successful. The entire quantity of Port wine made this year is in excess of that last year.

SPAIN.

This years' vintage has produced a short supply of wine: this was caused by a dry spring and early summer, so that the grapes were in consequence sparse, and the wine, when made, very deficient in quantity but the quality appears to be up to the average standard. At the present time Sherry seems to have almost gone out of fashion, but exceptionally good value is offered at low prices; this circumstance should have the effect of reviving the public taste for one or other of the many descriptions of Sherry that were, not many years ago, in active demand; meantime some of the best known growers are distilling excellent brandy from their grapes, this, under existing circumstances, should find favour, the Brandy being pure, wholesome, and inexpensive.

Spanish Port, or Tarragona—The vineyards situated in the plains around Tarragona, have produced wine of somewhat indifferent quality, while the quantity is below the average; the general characteristic of these wines—sweetness, is to a great extent lacking in this year's vintage. In the Pie Montana some fairly good wine has been produced. South America affords the best market for better class Tarragonas.

MADEIRA.

The vintage this year is believed to be a good one. The quantity of wine produced is somewhat above the average. As the demand for these well appreciated wines increases, farmers are replanting vine yards that have been destroyed by the Phylloxera.

SICILY.

We are told that the vintage in Marsala is on the whole abundant, and the wine made is good.

ITALY.

In the wine producing districts of this country, the vintage taken as a whole must be considered a good one. There are now increasing inquiries by English tourists and others for Italian Wines not only for that known as Chianti, which is a light and most agreeable wine, possessing good bouquet it is named from the district in which it is produced.

HUNGARY.

The vintage in Hungary has turned out fairly satisfactory, in the mountainous districts, and growers are even now asking big prices for their new wines, for which we think there will be a larger demand both in Europe and in the East than there is at present, for Hungarian wine possesses many valuable and useful characteristics that are contributory to general health.

MARRIAGE OF MR. E. R. SMETHAM

THERE was a great crowd at the Green Lanes Wesleyan Church on the afternoon of the 21st November, says a home paper. The occasion was the marriage of Mr. Edwin Richard Smetham, solicitor, of Pali Hill, Bombay, son of the late Mr. James Smetham, whose Letters and Literary Remains have made so marked an impression in literary circles, to Miss Ethel Mary Coates, only daughter of Mr. James Calvert Coates, C.C., and Mrs. Coates. The communion was decorated with plants and flowers, and there was a large gathering of relatives, personal friends, and members of the church. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Joseph Cranswick, an old friend and former minister of the circuit, assisted by Revs. William Middleton and Joseph Dixon. Among those present were also Revs. Robert Foster, George Patterson and Isaac Shimmin. The bridesmaids were the Misses Edith Smetham (sister of the bridegro

WRITERS AND READERS.

Mr. Balfour's new book, The Foundations of Belief, will be published by Messrs. Longmans early in January. In a sub-title, Mr. Balfour describes the work as Notes introductory to the study of theology.

Lord Rosebery and the American Ambassador have joined the committe for the purpose of raising funds for the purchase of Carlyle's house at Chelsea. All persons willing to subscribe are requested to notify as early as possible the amount of their intended subscription to Mr. A. C. Miller, 61, Cecil-street, Manchester.

Mr. George Moore's new volume is now finished, and will appear next Easter. The title is Celibates, and the book consists of three stories, the first, called Mildred Lawson, being of the length of a short novel. The second is John Norton, and the third is Rachel Clarke. All three stories deal with an aversion to marriage on the part of the titular character. Hence the title of the volume, in which, by the way, Balzac has anticipated Mr. Moore, with a different meaning, however.

Close upon the publication of Mr. John Davidson's Ballads and Songs will come a new prose work by the same author, to have the lengthy title of A Full and True Account of the Wonderful Mission of Earl Lavender, which lasted a Night and a Day; with a History of the Pursuit of Earl Lavender and Lord Brougham, by Maud Emblem and Mrs. Scamler. It is to be ready very shortly. Messrs. Ward and Downey are the publishers.

Two new books on Madame Blavatsky and Theosophy, which we are promised, will have a certain appropriateness in view of recent exposures. One, entitled A Modern Priestess of Isis (Madame Blavatsky), is by Mr. Walter Leaf, and will be published by Messrs. Longmans. The other, Madame Blavatsky and Her Theosophy, will be issued by Messrs. Swan Sonnenschein in a few days. The author, Mr. Arthur Lillie, writes a popular account of H. P. B., and subjects her Mahatmas to a very severe criticism. He compares her teaching with the accepted mysticism of the Buddhists and the Brahmin Yogis, and gives a sketch of the old Theosophists of the West.

The Meredith Volume entitled The Tale of Chloe; and Other Stories, will be published by Messrs. Ward, Lock and Co. These stories appeared some years ago in a magazine now dead, and have never been published in book form in this country. Indeed, they have been described as the lost Meredith stories. Apart from the ordinary edition of the book, there is to be a large-paper edition, limited to 250 copies for England and America. A new portrait of Mr. George Meredith is to be given as a frontispiece to the large paper edition. Meredith collectors, of course, have long possessed these stories in the American reprint of Lovell.

The new work by Mr. R. M. Garnier, who wrote the History of the English Landed Interest, is now finished. Annals of the British Peasantry, as it is called, will be published by Messrs. Swan Sonnenschein early in January. The book is a history of the English labouring class, commencing with tribal times and coming down to the present day. Mr. Garnier shows that a contract was made by which the rights of personal freedom were exchanged by the people for seignorial protection in times of danger. Then the employee is shown to have repurchased his personal freedom by the gradual surrender of his landed rights. Finally the later attempts of the peasantry to regain their original landed rights are described.

The following interesting letter from Mr. Du Maurier has been given to the American Press by Messrs. Harper Bros., the American publishers. The late Mr. J. R. Osgood, it will be remembered, was at the time of his death the London agent of his firm.

My dear Osgood—Of course I remembered my promise, and as soon as my book, "Peter Ibbetson," was finished and typewritten, I wrote to you—last week, as it happens—at 51, Fleet-street, but behold! you were in America; so I sent them the copy, and I believe it starts by to-day's mail for Harper in New York.

I don't know how it got into the papers that I was coming out in this new line, but I have already offers to come to an arrangement. I have no notion whether it is suited to a periodical or not—you will see; probably *not*—but if it is I want to be well paid for it; first [illegible], as far as my *first* book is concerned, whatever its merits; secondly, because the only people to whom I have told the story (H. James, Canon Ainger, poor Allingham, and a few others) thought so well of it—or said so—as an *idea*; and I have taken great pains in the carrying out thereof. If Harper's doesn't see its way to it I shall offer it elsewhere; and after that I shall put it in the hands of an agent. And if I don't get what I think I ought to I shall keep it and write another, as I have several good ideas, and writing this has taught me a lot. All of which sounds very cheeky and grand; but I am in no hurry to come before the public as a novelist before I'm ripe, and to ripen myself duly I am actually rewriting it in French, and you've no idea what a lesson *that* is! * * * Yours ever,

G. DU MAURIER.

15, Bayswater-terrace London, April 18, 1890.

"A propos" of "Trilby," it would seem that the title of this very successful novel is not original with Mr. Du Maurier. At any rate, the following letter has been addressed to the editors of the New York "Critic":—

On looking over Roches "Prosateurs Francais," I find that one of the "plus jolis" contes of Charles Nodier (1783-1844) is entitled "Trilby"; therefore the title of Du Maurier's much bought novel is not original with him. I should be pleased if any reader of the "Critic" would inform me as to the plot of Nodier's story.

WM. J. McLURE.

St. Francis of Assisi Rectory, Mt Kisco (N.Y.), Oct. 29, 1894.

It is proposed to produce in London, in May 1895, The Trilogy of Æschylus, consisting of the "Agamemnon" the Choephori, and the Eumenides. The performance will be in English. Professor Stanford, who wrote the music for the performance of the Eumenides at Cambridge, has consented to compose music for the other two plays. In order to carry out this proposal adequately, a guarantee fund amounting to £2,900 must be secured. Of this sum a deposit of £500 to meet the preliminary expenses will be necessary: therefore all guarantors will be requested to pay up twenty-five per cent. Beyond this it is not likely that any further demand will be made upon them. While the French and German schools are maintained by their respective Governments, and the American school commands adequate means of support, the resources of our school are slender and precarious. This would be the first modern attempt (so far as we know) to produce the Æschylean Trilogy as a hole; and would unite various elements of interest—dramatic musical, artistic and archæological. The appeal for guarantees and subscriptions is signed, amongst others, by Professor Jebb, president of the committee; Mr. Alma Tadema, Mr. Sidney Colvin, and Dr Charles Waldstein. All communications are to beaddressed to the secretary, Æschylean Trilogy Scheme, 41, Great Russell street, London, W. C.

One of the earliest books to be published by Messrs. Longmans and Co. at the beginning of the new year is "The Foundations of Belief," by Mr. A. J. Balfour, M P It will probably be out in the first or second week in January. It is intended as an introduction to the study of theology.—Messrs. Longmans and Co. will also publish, about the same time as the foregoing work, the new volume of the very interesting and valuable Verney Memoirs of the period of the Commonwealth. The memoirs are compiled by Lady Verney from the letters at Claydon House. The illustrations are from the portraits in Claydon House.—Mr Wilfrid Ward's Life of Cardinal Wiseman, and Dr S S Laurie's Historical Survey of Pre-Christain Education, which have already been announced by the same firm, will be published at later dates.

Messrs. Isbister and Co. are bringing out next week Mr Phil Robinson's Birds of the Wave and Woodland. It is to begin royal octavo, price half-a-guinea, beautifully illustrated, and printed in splendid type on the best paper. But better than all this is its style. His new book will, we think, prove a greater favourite than his Noahs Ark, or the Poets Birds, in which it was easy for critics who themselves had gone over the same ground to discover a good many blemishes. Mr Phil Robinson's first book, "In my Indian Garden," published in India more than twenty years ago, introduced the school of modern Anglo-Indian writers. After him came Mr. Aberigh Mackay, with his series of sketches, Twenty One Days in India, the publication of which in Vanity Fair attracted great attention. Mr Robinson is really the literary father of the line of writers of whom Mr. Kipling is the chiefest ornament.

essrs. Hutchinson and Co. have very nearly disposed of the fourteenth edition of "A Yellow Aster." One of their lately-published three-volume novels, "A New Note," now in its third edition, is the work of a young Irish lady, whose name will appear on the title page of the fourth edition. The authoress is Miss Ella Macmahon. She has been for some time a member of the staff of The Irish Times. She resides in Dublin, and contributes to some of the London weeklies. A large edition in one volume of A New Note has been printed for the Colonies. To-day Messrs Hutchinson ;publish a beautifully printed, bound, and illustrated English translation by Mr Edward Vizetelly of Alphonse Daudet's famous story Fromont Junior and Risler ,Senior. It contains eighty-eight wood engravings from original drawings by George Roux. This tale, it may be remembered, was crowned by the French Academy as the best story of the year. It has passed through some eighty editions. Messrs Hutchinson and Co. have secured the English and Amerian rights. Their edition is published at six shillings. As we have spoken of Daudet the father, we may add a word or two aboutDaudet the son. M Leon Daudet's story Les Morticoles is in its eighteenth thousand. Still considerably under thirty, M Leon Daudet has lready won for himself a place among the living ovelists of France.

INDIAN PATENTS.

Applications in respect of the undermentioned inventions have been filed, during the week ending 8th December 1894, under the provisions of Act V of 1888, in the Office of the Secretary appointed:—F Loraine Petre, a member of the Indian Civil Service, residing at Allahabad, North-Western Provinces, for an improved military entrenching tool. Alex. ander Gray, of the Mansion, Froqual, Hampstead. in the County of Middlesex, England, for improvements in apparatus used in the manufacture of paper linen or other fabrics coated or impregnated with celluloid or varnish or the like; George Strafford Roge, Accountant, Madras Cement Works, Washermaapettah, Madras, for raising water and other liquids. John Colt Pennington, of Paterson, New Jersey, Chemist, and William Outis Allison, Publisher, of 72, William Street,in the City, County, and State of New York, United States of America, for improvements in retting fibrous plants; Richard Henry Bath, of 23, Dalehara Gardens, South Hampstead, in the County of London, England, Fruit Grower, for an improved exercising apparatus; Julius Evinof, of 36, Members' Mansion Westminster, London, England Doctor of Medicine, for improvements in locking nuts. Sadhoo Muljee Cursendas, and Khoja Allarakhya Rahimtulla, Contractors of extracting Gold and other metals from various dusts, and Stones, residing in Cutch, Bhuj, for extracting India rubber from juice of plants growing in India; Jean Jacqaes Heilmann, of 10, Reu Cambon, in the City of Paris, and French Republic, Electrical Engineer, for improvements in steam Engines, and similar motors; William Henry Deckin, Engineers, of Norhann Villa, Lansdowne Road, Worcester, England for improvement in apparatus for locking railway switches; Henry Drake Contonment Overseer, Kamptee, Central Provinces, for finding the side-widths of embankments and cuttings in the construction of roads and railways on sideling-ground without calculation or any previous leveling with the spirit level as is usually done in taking cross sections in such works, called the Clinometer.

Specifications of the undermentioned inventions have been filed, under the provisions of Act V of 1888, in the Office of the Secretary appointed under the Inventions and Designs Act:—Bernard Coventry, Indigo Planter, Dalsing Sarai, Tirhoot, for improvements in the manufacture of indigo. (Filed 2nd October 1894); Odilon Baltzar Hannibal Hanneborg, of Urskoug, in the Kingdom of Norway, Estate Owner, for improvements in ditching and tile-laying machines. (Filed 1st December 1894); Charles Hodgson, of Canterbury Road, Kilburn, in the County of Middlesex, England, Engineer, for an improvement in safety locking bars for railway points. (Filed 1st December 1894); Odilon Baltzar Hannibal Hanneborg, of Urskoug, in the Kingdom of Norway, Estate Owner, for improvements in ditching and tile-laying machines. (Filed 1st December 1894); Charles Hodgson, of Canterbury Road, Kilburn, in the County of Middlesex, England, Engineer, for an improvement in safety locking bars for railway points. (Filed 1st December 1894); King Charles Edmunds, Merchant, at present residing at No. 31, Zig-Zag Lane, Calcutta, for an instantaneous water cooler. (Filed 28th November 1894); William Perkins, of 1, Sherborne Lane, King William Street, in the County of London, England, Mining Engineer, for improvements in oil lamps. (Filed 5th December 1894); Frederic Eliot Duckham, of Millwall Docks, London, England, Civil Engineer, for improvements in pneumatic apparatus for conveying and depositing grain and other granular or pulverulent matters. (Filed 1st December 1894); Frederic Eliot Duckham, of Millwall Docks. London, England, Civil Engineer, for improvements in the method of, and means for, elevating and conveying grain and other matters in bulk by pneumatic agency. (Filed 1st December 1894.)

The undermentioned design has been registered, under the provisions of Act V of 1888, in the Office of the Secretary appointed under the Inventions and Designs Act:—Henry Lewis Doulton, a Member of and on behalf of the Firm of Messrs. Doulton & Co., Potters, of Lambeth Pottery, Lambeth, London England, for a water closet pan.

The fee prescribed in Schedule 4 of Act V of 1888 has been paid for the cohtinuance of exclusive privilege, for the period 13th January 1895 to 12th January 1896, in respect of the undermentioned invention:—Cornelius Curtin Sullivan, of Roorkee, in the North-West Provinces of India. Head Master of the Thomason Civil Engineer College, for a new machine for raising water, earth, and other substances.

Whereas the inventors of the undermentioned inventions have respectively failed to pay within the time limited in that behalf by the fourth schedule to the Inventions and Designs Act (V of 1888) [or within the further time allowed under section 8, sub-section (4) of the said Act], the fee hereinafter mentioned, it is hereby notified that, under the provisions of section 8, sub-section (2) of the said Act, the exclusive privilege of making, selling, and using the said inventions in British India and of authorizing others so to do has ceased:—Mr. S. Alley's invention for improvements in apparatus for treating metallic ores or compounds with chemicals. (Specification filed 5th September 1890); Mr. A. A. F. Davis' invention for a portable automatic top and bottom lock bolts for doors and windows. (Specification filed 3rd September 1890); Mr, J. H. Grell's invention for fodder box. for birds of every kind. (Specification filed 5th September 1890.)

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 8th December, 1894, on 461 Miles open.

—	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings (estimated.)	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total traffic for the week	96,000	2,28,000	4,000	3,28,000
Or per mile of Railway	208	494	9	711
For previous 22 weeks of half-year.	19,15,588	27,57,795	1,03,995	47,77,373
Total for 23 weeks..	20,11,588	29,85,795	1,07,995	51,05,378
Comparison. Total for corresponding week of previous year	94,598	1,90,499	1,604	2,86,701
Per mile of Ry do.	205	413	4	622
Total to corresponding date do.	20,65,916	27,12,807	78,003	48,56,726

Increase for the week ..... Rs. 41,299
Ditto to date ..... „ 2,48,652

PALANPUR-DEESA RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 8th December, 1894, on 17·28 Miles open.

—	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings (estimated).	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total traffic for the week	600	300	10	910
Or per mile of Railway	35	17	1	53
For previous 22 weeks of half-year.	8,516	4,780	85	13,381
Total for 23 weeks...	9,116	5,080	95	14,291
Comparison. Total for corresponding week of previous year	338	459	2	799
Per mile of Ry do.	21	28	.....	49
Total to corresponding date do.	750	1,825	8	2,583

Increase for the week ..... Rs. 111
Ditto to date ..... „ 11,708

GODHRA-RUTLAM RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 8th December, 1894, on 115·50 Miles open.

—	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings (estimated.)	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total traffic for the week	1,890	23 600	30	25,430
Or per mile of Railway	16	204	..	220
For previous 22 weeks of half-year.	23,212	1,12,226	452	1,35,890
Total for 23 weeks...	25,012	1,35,826	482	1,61,320
Comparison. Total for corresponding week of previous year (on 25 miles open)	556	6,295	7	6,808
Per mile of Ry. do.	20	252	...	272
Total to corresponding date do.	12,993	21,836	201	35,020

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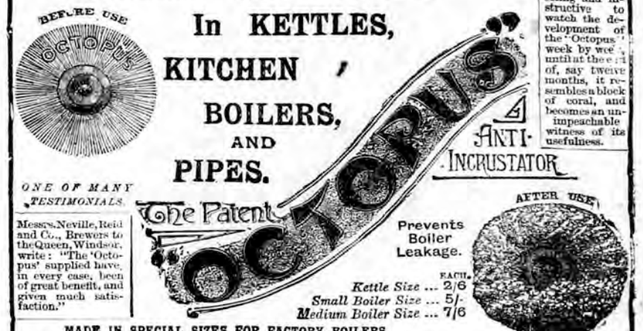

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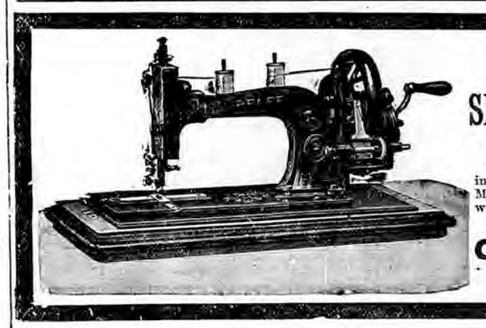

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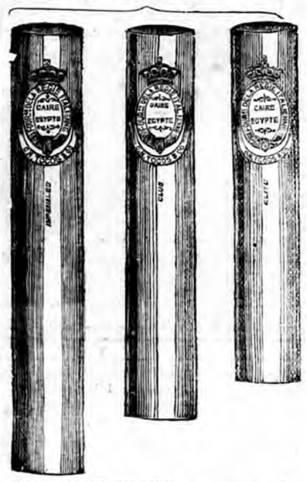

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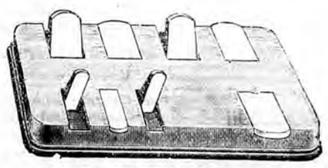

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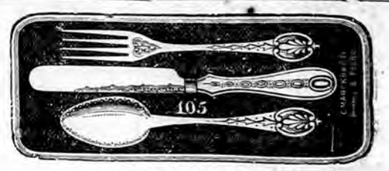

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